

**Records.**

Of

The Women's Monthly meeting

OF

**DARTMOUTH.**

THE SECOND BOOK

Beginning the 15<sup>th</sup> day of the 7 month 1782 to be

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*7 month  
1782*

At a Monthly Meeting of Women friends held in **Dartmouth** y<sup>e</sup> 15<sup>th</sup> of 7 month<sup>^</sup> 1782  
The Representatives are **Martha Gifford** and **Sarah Anthony** both present

*From Quar  
terly meeting*

This meeing is informed, that the Representatives hath attended our  
Quarterly meeting as appointed; by whom we have Received an Epis=  
=tle therefrom, which was read to good Satisfaction

*Dividing  
preparitive  
meeting*

Our Frends **Elizabeth Slocum** and **Sarah Gifford** are appointed  
to Joine and un<sup>t</sup>e with a Committee that was appointed some time past  
on account of dividing our Preparitive meeting

*Chilion Wood  
request for  
daughter*

**Chilion Wood** Pertitions for his little da<sup>u</sup>ghter **Ruth**, to be taken  
under the care of this meeting; we appoint our Friends **Marcy Slocum**  
and **Deborah Allen**: to Visit the family and inspect the circumstance  
thereof, the better to understand, wheither its Suitable to be received  
and they to make report to the meeting.

*Lydia Bow=  
=dish case*

**Lydia Bowdish** hath bee<sup>n</sup> long absent from us and now requests  
a Certificate to the **Oblong** Monthly meeting: this meeting appoints  
our friends **Judith Russell** and **Susanna Russell** to write Something to be  
sent to that meeting, desireing their inspection how her life and con=

=versation hath been since among them, and desire them to inform us therof; and bring what they draw up to our next monthly meeting for approbation

*8 month*  
1782 At a Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held in **Dartmouth** 19<sup>th</sup> of 8<sup>th</sup> mo 1782  
The Representatives are **Mary Shearman** and **Hannah Mosher** both present

*Lydia Bow*  
*=dish* The matter concerning wrteing to the **Oblong** monthly meet<sup>i</sup>ng concern=  
**Lydia Bowdish** request is continued under the same friends care to be performed before the next monthly meeting.

*Rebec Folger*  
&  
*daughter* This meeting is informed that **Rebeckah Folger** desires our Certificate for her self and daughter **Rebeckah Shove** Recommending to the monthly meeting at **Nantucket**; **Susanna Smith** and **Edith Russell** are appointed to make enquiry into her life and conduct; <sup>^</sup>& outward circumstances and if nothing appears to hinder, to draw a certificate and bring to next month  
=ly meeting

*Epistles Rec<sup>d</sup>* Received a Transcrip of an Epistle from the yearly meeting of Friends held at **Philidelphia**, with one from the last yearly meeting Friends on **LongIsland**: both being read to the Satisfaction and com=  
=fort of those that are engaged to Unite in Spirit with them.

*Rachel Weaver* **Rachel Weaver** desires to be taken uder the care of this meeting wherefore this meeting appoints **Joanna Gifford** and **Lydia Huddletson** to have the matter under their care to find if She is worthy to be receivid and they to make when ready Collected at this time £1-<sup>d</sup>12-<sup>d</sup>9 Old Tennor

*9 Month*  
1782 At a Monthly meeting of Women Friends held in **Dartmouth** 16<sup>th</sup> of 9<sup>th</sup> month 1782  
The Representatives **Judith Russell** and **Abigail Shepherd**; **Judith** not present by reason of indisposition of body

*Mary Wing*  
*Rece<sup>d</sup>* Received a Removal Certificate from **Coackset [Acoaxet]** monthly meeting Re=  
commending, **Mary Wing** wife of **Joseph Wing** as a member to this met<sup>ing</sup>  
which is accepted

*Sent to Quar*  
*=terly meeting* The Queries have been read and answers prepared, with an Epistle Signed which are to <sup>^</sup>be sent up to the Quarterly meeting by  
By our

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*9 month*  
1782 By our Representatives who are **Elisabeth Slocum**,<sup>^</sup>and **Sarah Gifford**,  
**Latitia Smith**, and **Deborah Smith**, and they to make report to the next monthly meeting

*Freeborn*  
*Rider* **Susanna Smith** and **Joanna Gifford** are appointed to Joine and unite with the men Friends respecting prepareing a Testimony concerning our deceased Friend **Freeborn Rider**; her Life, Servic=  
=es, and Exercieses among us, and make return to the monthly meeting

*Ruth Wood*  
*Rece<sup>d</sup>* The Committee that was appointed to inspect the matter concern=  
=ing **Chilion Woods** requesting for his little daughter to be taken

under the care of this meeting, make report, they find nothing to hinder; this meeting accepts and Receives the child whose name is (**Ruth Wood**) under the care of this meeting

*Overseer poor* **Deborah Gifford** is appointed to the place of Overseer of the Poor

*Lydia Bow=*  
*=dish case* Signed a paper of request to the **Oblong** monthly meeting desiring they would make inquiry concerning **Lydia Bowdish**, her life, and conduct, Since in their parts; and inform us (if circumstance require) and if nothing appears, this may recommend her as a member of their meeting. Collected 6<sup>£</sup>- 0<sup>s</sup>-0<sup>d</sup> Old Tennor

*Adjourn'd*  
*mett* This Meeting Adjourns to the 25<sup>th</sup> of this Instant  
Mett according to adjournment, Representatives both present

*Freeborn*  
*Rider* The Committee of men and women Friends appointed to Join in preparing a Testimony Concerning our friend **Freeborn Rider** deceased, have prepared one according to appointment which the meeting accepts of, and gave direction for it to be Signed which is don by the Clark of each meeting, and to be sent up <sup>to</sup> the Quarterly meeting for their approbation

*Adjourn'd*  
*mett* This meeting adjourns to the 6<sup>th</sup> day of the 10<sup>th</sup> month<sup>1782</sup> by the request of men <sup>Friends</sup>  
Mett according to adjournment the 6<sup>th</sup> day of 10<sup>th</sup> month 1782  
The Representatives called **Abigail Shepherd** present

*10 month*  
*1782* At a Monthly meeting of Women Friends held in **Dartmouth** 21<sup>st</sup> of 10<sup>th</sup> mo 1782  
**Susanna Allen** and **Phebe Smith** are appointed to attend the monthly meeting both present.

*Return from*  
*Quarterly*  
*meeting* This meeting is Informed that the friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting, all attended accordingly, we received an Epistle from the Same, containing Seasonable advice therein, Recommending each one to endeavour to be benefited thereby

*Rebec Folger*  
*& daughter*  
*Certificate* Signed a Removal Certificate on behalf of **Rebecca Folger** and Daughter **Rebeccah Shove**, Recommending them to **Nantucket** monthly meeting Collected at this time 4<sup>£</sup>-13<sup>s</sup>-9<sup>d</sup> old Tennor

*A Book for*  
*Records* This meeting gives direction that the Treasurer Should Employ **Caleb Greene** to procure a blank book suitable to Record the meetings minutes in, with some writing paper for the use of the meeting and furnish him with money for the same; And pay the remainder of what money there is in the stock to **Thomas Russell** towards <sup>his</sup> account for Charge don on the meeting house

*order on*  
*Treasurer*

**William**

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*10 month*  
*1782* **William Barker Jr** and **Deborah Shearman**, proposed their Intention of marriage with each other before this meeting they are desired to wait for their answer till the next monthly meeting

*Wm Barker's*  
*proposal of*  
*marriage*

**Mary Tucker** and **Sarah Gifford** are appointed to make enquiry into the young womans clearness respecting marriage and conversation they to make report to the next monthly meeting.

*meetings discontinued*  
We are Informed from the mens meeting, that it is concluded to  
in future to discontinue all our weekday meetings belonging to  
our monthly meeting: in that week that the Quarterly meeting is to  
be held here; and if the Preparative <sup>meeting</sup> comes in course that week that  
Quarterly meeting is; It's to be held the week before on forth day  
Which this meeting concurs and unites with

*11 month 1782*  
At a Monthly meeting of Women Friends held in **Dartmouth** y<sup>e</sup> 18<sup>th</sup> of 11<sup>th</sup> mo 1782  
our friends **Marcy Slocum** and **Hannah Wood** was appointed to at=  
=tend the monthly meeting both present

*Orders on Treasurer*  
The meeting still desires the Treasurer to perform her Service in  
paying out the money according to last monthly meeting direction

*Rachel Wever Reced*  
The Committee that hath had the matter under their care concern=  
=ing **Rachel Weaver**; request to be taken under the care of this  
meeting, make Report; the<sup>y</sup> find so much Satisfaction, that they  
think best to receive her; the meeting accepts said report, and do  
Receive her into membership, and under the care of this meeting

*Esther Potter request*  
**Est<sup>h</sup>er Potter** desires a removal Certificate Recommending her  
as a member to **Accoksett [Acoaxet]** monthly meeting; **Hannah Mosher** and  
**Rhoda Mott**, are appointed to make enquiry into her Life and  
Conversation: and if nothing appears to hinder, they to prepare  
one and bring to next monthly meeting

*Abraham Anthony proposal of marriage*  
**Abraham Anthony** and **Latitia Smith** proposed their Intentions  
of marriage with each other before this meeting and were desired  
to waite for their Answer untill next monthly meeting

**Susanna Allen** and **Phebe Smith** are appointed to make Enquiry  
into the young womans clearness, respecting marriage and conver=  
=sation; and they to make report, to the next monthly meeting

*Nanny Gifford Certificate*  
This meeting is informed that our Friend **Nanny Gifford** is  
about to Visit **Sandwich** meeting, and desires our Certificate; one  
being prepared, and Signed Signifying our Unity with her Visit.

*Adjourn'd mett*  
This meeting is Adjourn'd to the 4<sup>th</sup> day of the next month  
Mett the 4<sup>th</sup> of the 12 month 1782, according to adjornment

The Representatives both Present

The Friends that was appointed to make enquiry into **Deborah  
Shearman**'s clearness respecting marriage and conversation make  
Report, they find nothing to hinder their proceeding in marriage

*W<sup>m</sup> Barker Ju<sup>r</sup> Anser*  
**William Barker Ju<sup>r</sup>** and **Deborah Shearman** appeared for  
their answer which is they may proce<sup>d</sup> to take each other in  
marriage at some convenient time between now and next monthly  
meeting; advising with the overseers

Who are

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**Abram Anthony 4 Lettia Smith**

*11 month*  
Who are **Deborah Allen** and **Sarah Gifford**, they to take the neces=  
=sary care that the marriage is consumated, <sup>&</sup> conducted orderly and they to

1782 make report to the next monthly meeting

*Georg Smith  
prposal of  
marriage*

**George Smith 2** and **Mary Smith** proposed their Intentions of marriage with each other before this meeting and were desired to wate for their Answer untill next monthly meeting – **Marcy Slocum** and **Hannah Wood** are appointed to make enquiry into **Mary Smiths** clearness and respecting marriage and conversation; and they to make report to the next monthly meeting

*Treasurer  
report*

Treasurer informs <sup>^this meeting</sup> that **Thomas Russells** bill for mending the meeting the house is discharged in full which is 2<sup>£</sup>-2<sup>s</sup>-2<sup>d</sup> – Lawful money

*12 month  
1782*

At a Monthly meeting of Women Friends held in **Dartmouth** 16<sup>th</sup> of 12<sup>th</sup> mo 1782 **Ruth Tucker** and **Mary Tucker** was appointed to attend the monthly meeting, both present

*W<sup>m</sup> Barker Ju<sup>r</sup>  
married*

The friends that was appointed to have the oversight <sup>^of</sup> **William Barker Ju<sup>r</sup>** and **Deborah Shearman**'s marriage, make report they they attended, and that it was performed in a good degree orderly as far as they discovered.

*Sent to Quar=  
=terly meeting*

The Queries hath been read and answers prepared, and sent up to our Quarterly meeting by our Representatives who are **Martha Chace**, **Martha Gifford**, **Elisabeth Slocum**, and **Rhoda Mott** and and they <sup>^to</sup> make report <sup>^to</sup> the next monthly meeting; Likewise an Epis=  
=tle Sign'd and sent up by our Said Representatives

*George Smith  
proposal not  
alow'd amongst  
friends*

The friends that was appointed to make enquiry concerning **Mary Smiths** clearness respecting marriage make report that they have made inspectiond and it dont appear to be best <sup>^not</sup> for them to proceed a moug Friends

The friends <sup>^that was</sup> appointed to make <sup>^enquiry</sup> concerning **Latitia Smith** clear=  
=ness respecting marriage; make report they have made enquiry and nothing appears to hinder

*Abra Anthony  
Answer*

**Abraham Anthony** and **Latitia Smith** appear'd for their <sup>^Answer</sup> which is they may proceed to take each other in marriage before next monthly meeting; adviseing with y<sup>e</sup> Overseers, who are **Phebe Smith** and **Hannah Wood**, and <sup>^they</sup> to make report to the next monthly meeting

*Adjourn'd  
mett*

This meeting Adjorns to the 25<sup>th</sup> of this Istant month  
Mett according to adjournment the 25<sup>th</sup> of the 12<sup>th</sup> month 1782

The Representatives both present

*Esther Potter  
Certificate*

Signed a removal Certificate in behalf <sup>^of</sup> **Esther Potter** recommend ing her to **Accoakset [Acoaxet]** monthly meeting.

*Freeborn Rider  
Testimony  
Return'd*

Our Testimony concerning our Friend **Freeborn Rider** deceased being returned to this meeting <sup>^by quarterly meeting</sup> for a small alteration which don; and is again sent up to the Quarterly meeting

**Ma'cy Slocum** Clerk for this day

*1 month  
1783*

At a Monthly meeting of Women friends held in **Dartmouth** 20<sup>th</sup> of 1<sup>st</sup> Mo 1783 **Mary Shearman** and **Rebeckah Ricketson** was appointed to attend the monthly meeting, both Present

*Return from  
Quarterly  
meeting*

The Friends that was appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting

Married

Meeting Inform they <sup>all</sup> attended said meeting, from which we  
*1 Month*  
1783  
Received an Epistle which was read in this meeting and taken  
into consideration respecting some particular advice, Sighted  
to from our last Quarterly meetings Epistle

*Abra: Anthony*  
*married*  
The friends that had the oversight of **Abraham Anthony**s and  
**Latitia Smith**s marriage Report, they attended according to  
appointment and it was consumated and conducted orderly as  
far as they discovered.

*Robert Nisbet*  
*Certificate*  
Received a Certificate, from a monthly meeting at **East Hoosuck [Hoosick]**  
on behalf of our friend **Robert Nisbet**, recommending him as a  
Member in unity and likewise his Publick Testimony, which the  
Sincere hearted truly accepts of and his labours of love among us

*Freelove Gifford*  
*certificate*  
*Adjou'n'd*  
*mett*  
Receive a removal Certificate from **Accoakset** monthly meeting in  
behalf of **Freelove Gifford**, and wife of **William Gifford** which is accepted  
This Meeting Adjourns to the 29<sup>th</sup> of this Instant  
Mett according to adjournment 29<sup>th</sup> of the 1<sup>st</sup> month 1783  
The Representatives not present~

*meeting*  
*Small*  
But little buisness acted upon, by reason this meeting being Small we  
fear there is too much Indifferency prevails amongst us on that  
account~  
**Sarah Gifford** Clerk for this day

*2 month*  
1783  
At a Monthly meeting of Women friend<sup>s</sup> held in **Dartmouth** y<sup>e</sup> 17<sup>th</sup> of 2<sup>nd</sup> mo 1783  
**Deborah Allen** and **Hannah Wood** was appoined to attend the month=  
meeting, Both P<sup>r</sup>esent

*Jeane Williams*  
*request*  
This meeting is informed that **Jeane Williams** wife of **John Williams**  
is about to Remove back within the Verge of **RhodIsland [Rhode Island]** monthly  
meting and desires a Certificate thereto; **E<sup>n</sup>nice Taber** and **Susanna**  
**Russell** are appointed to make enquiry an inspect the circumstance  
and if nothing appear to hinder, to ~~him~~ prepare one and bring to the  
next monthly meeting

*Nanne Gifford*  
*Certificate*  
*returnd*  
Our friend **Nanne Gifford** hath returned a Certificate back to  
this meeting that she had to visit **Sandwich** monthly meeting with  
This meeting appoints **Judith Russell**, **Deborah Gifford** and **Ruth**  
**Tucker**, to inspect in the matter concerning making of Wills and  
Settleing outward affairs according to the advice of Quarterly  
meeting Epestle; and make report to the next monthly meetings of  
their proceedings

*Mary Akin*  
*and Phebe*  
*Eason*  
*disown'd*  
Some of the Oveseers Inform that **Mary Akin** wife of **Jonathan**  
**Akin** and **Phebe Eason**, wife of **Walter Eason**, hath lately  
married out of the unity of friends; for which they the Overseers  
have taken the necessary care to labour with them for their help  
but it proved in affectual and now find themselves clear: do thus inform  
the meeting: And taking the <sup>matter</sup> under consideration, this meeting doth  
deny the Said **Mary Akin**, and **Phebe Eason** from having any right  
of membership, and from under the care of this meeting; **Mary Tu<sup>c</sup>ker** and  
**Sarah Gifford** are appointed to inform the Said young women of their  
denial and they to make report to the nex monthl meeting

*Eben: Baker*  
*propose*  
*marriage*  
**Ebenezer Baker** and **Susanna Mosher**, prposed their intention of  
marriage with Each other, before this meeting and are desired to waite  
for their answer untill next monthly meeting

**Joanna**

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1783

**Joanna Gifford** and **Experiance Hart** are appointed to enquire into the young womans Cleafness respecting marriage and conversation and they to make report next monthly meeting

Adjourned  
Mett

This meeting Adjourns till to morrow at the 11<sup>th</sup> hour  
Mett according to adjournment y<sup>e</sup> 18<sup>th</sup> of 2<sup>nd</sup> mo 1783 Represent<sup>ives</sup> both present

**Mary Smith**  
& **Deb:Potter**  
disorder ly  
married &  
further Sus=  
pected

This meeting is Informed by the Overseers that **Mary Smith** wife of **George Smith 2**, and **Deborah Potter** wife <sup>^of</sup> **Samuel Potter** have lately married out of the unity of Friends and likewise they are Suspected to be guilty of somthing that may yet appear of a Scandelous nature; And for the clearing of Truth , We do ap=  
=point our friends **Marcy Slocum** and **Hannah Wood** to inspect their Circumstace, and labour as Truth may open the way in that matter; and Inform the meeting of their proceeding therein when ready; without unnecessary delay, in order that our dis=  
=cipline may be clean from Such defilements

**Isaac Kelley**  
Certificate

Received a Certificate on behalf of <sup>^our</sup> Friend **Isaac Kelley** bear=  
=ing date the 12<sup>th</sup> day of the 12 month 1782. from a monthly meeting at **East Hoosuck [Hoosick]**, who came a companion for our Friend **Robert Nesbit**, in which they Signified their unity: likewise their unity they had with his publick Offerings

Report of a  
Committe on  
account of  
plainness &  
other defects

Received a report from a Committee of men and women friends that was appoi<sup>nt</sup>ed in order to labour for Plainness, and to remove other defects as Truth may open the way; which report is Accepted And is as Followeth

To the Monthly Meeting of Men and Women Friends to be held in **Dartmouth** the 20<sup>th</sup> of the first month 1783.

We your Committee of men and women Friends appointe to unite in our endeavours to remove Some defects among our youths and others, Respecting Plainness and other defects, as Truth might open the way: Have Sollidly considered on that weighty work and Service; and in that Unity which is in the bond of peace, way was opened for a General Visit of our members; and therein we have endeavored to proceed and Labour; and have had deep wadeings and heavy exercises under a Sense of our own weaknesses and defects among us as a meeting which hinder the groth and Spreading of the pure Seed of Life; and we hav<sup>e</sup> to remark with Sorrow, that it was with Some few to the almost forsakeing their Assembleing them=  
=selves together; and that also a departure of Some of the yuths <sup>^& o<sup>t</sup>her</sup> from that Simplicity Truth requires, and leads to plainness <sup>^conversation</sup> & if kept to would be as a call and Invitation not only to those among us, but even to those that are without.~ There were however Some prospects <sup>^which</sup> were encourageing and even Some among the youth; with

with such we were nearly United, greatly desiring their growth and Establishment in the Truth: and that none may Sit down and be content= ed in a State of ease and Indifferency in a concern of the utmost Importance, but all may come up more and more in a lively Zeal For the cause and Testimony of Truth.~ We have also to remark That tho' our Service was weightily and Labourious, yet our Visits Seemed generally kindly Received

And

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And as divers other who were not members <sup>^</sup>often happened in families we Visited; Such we informed of our freedom to Sit with us if they were desirous (as was also the case of divers black people) in which we often felt the gathering Arme to be near and a measure of that compulsive love extended which calls even from the highways and hedges that his hope may be filled.~ For <sup>^</sup>further encouragement we may Say, that we had to experie<sup>n</sup>e that Unity still continued among us throughout the Visiting, with that Peace and Satisfaction, which is the Sure reward of Obedience, tho' we had many proveings and Trials, under an experience of our own weakness and inability to perform any thing to the Honour of the great Master, Or Satisfaction to our Selves, without his emediate assistance

<b>Abiel Gifford</b>	<b>Martha Gifford</b>
<b>James Davis</b>	<b>Susanna Smith</b>
<b>Caleb Greene</b>	<b>Joanna Gifford</b>
	<b>Martha Chase</b>

The foregoing Report was read in this meeting to Satisfaction

Elders  
nominated

**Caleb Greene** is Nominated to the place of an Elder; and this Mee'ing hath Nominated **Marcy Slocum** to the the place of an Elder which the mens meeting hath been informed of in order to Unite in the appointment; and likewise we do appoint **Martha Gifford** and **Joanna Gifford** to Joine a Committee of men friends, to confer with the members of the Select meeting, and to visit the persons nomina= =ted, on behalf of the meeting; that it may be conducted agreeable to the direction of Truth, and they to inform the meeting their Sense of that weighty matter

3 Month  
1783

At a Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held in **Dartmouth** y<sup>e</sup> 17<sup>th</sup> of 3<sup>rd</sup> mo 1783 Representatives are **Elisabeth Slocum & Peace Shearman** both present

Jean W<sup>ms</sup>

The Fiends that was appointed on account of **Jean Williams** Certificate have <sup>^</sup>not produced one: they are yet desired to take the necessary care and make report when ready

on making  
Wills

The Committee appointed last monthly meeting to Inspect in the circum= stance of makeing Wills Inform this meeting they have endeavoared fulfil the'r appointment, and find incouragement, that friends are in a labour to comply with said advice; the Same friends are desired to continue their Service in that respect in order that it may be accom= =plished, and they to make report to the next monthly meeting

Mary Akin  
Phe:Easton

The friends that was appointed to inform **Mary Akin** wife of **Jona= =than Akin** and **Phebe Easton** wife of **Walter Easton**, of their Denial, report they have informed them thereof



*inform.d* The friends appointed to Inquire in **Susanna Mosher's** clearness Respecting marriage and conversation, report, they find nothing to hinder **Ebenezer Baker** and **Susanna Mosher** appeared for the Answer their answer was they might proceed to take Each other in Marriage at some convenient time between this and next monthly meeting advising with the overseers who are **Ruth Tucker** and **Experience Hart**, they to attend the marriage in order that it may be consummated and Conducted orderly and they to make report to the next monthly Meeting

*Eben Baker  
answer*

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*3 Month  
1783* Som<sup>e</sup> considerable time past it was proposed to the monthly meeting. whether it might not be Useful to divide the Preparitive meeting and in cosideration thereof the meeting appointedt a Committee to Joine a Committee of men friends in order to Inspect the expedency of Said proposels~ and now the Committee have handed in a minuit of their proceedings, with their Report also, ~ Which Signifieth there appeared Some Obstacles in the way, which they laboured to Remove; and found some encouragement and Satisfaction therein and now find themselves cleare <sup>^there</sup> from, which report this meeting accepts of

*Preparitive  
meeting*

*adjournd  
mett*

This meeting Adjorns to the 26<sup>th</sup> of this instant Mett Accoring to adjornment y<sup>e</sup> 26<sup>th</sup> of 3<sup>rd</sup> month 1783 Reprs<sup>ves</sup> both present

*sent to Quar  
meeting*

There were ans<sup>w</sup>ers prepared to the Queries and <sup>^an</sup> Epistle Signed which are to be sent up to the Quarterly meeting by our Representatives who are **Judith Russell, Marcy Slocum, Elisabeth Kirbey [Kirby], and Elisabeth Wood**, and they to make report to the next monthly meeting

*Bash Wood  
request*

**Bershabe Wood** desires to be taken under the care of this meeting **Deborah Gifford**, and **Elisabeth Slocum** are appointed to have a Solid oppertunity and take the nessesary care on that account and they to make report when ready

*Susa Barker  
Certicate*

**Susanna Barker** wife <sup>^of</sup> **John Barker** hath produced a removal Certificate from **Rhode Island** monthly meeting which this meeting accepts of

*Latitia  
Anthony  
requests*

**Latitia Anthony** desires a removal Certificate recommending her as a member to **Rhode Island** monthly meeting

**Alice Anthony** and **Phebe Smith** are appointed to make enquiry into her life and conduct, and if nothing appear to hinder they to prepare one and bring to next monthly meeting

*4 Month  
1783*

At a Monthly Meeting of Women friends held in **Dartmout [Dartmouth]** y<sup>e</sup> 21<sup>st</sup> of 4<sup>th</sup> mo 1783

**Deborah Gifford** and **Patience Austin** appointed to attend the monthly meeting both present

*on account  
of Wills*

The Committee that was ap<sup>p</sup>ointed some time past on the account of Wills, are yet continued in that Service & they to make report when ready

*Eben Bakers marriage* The friends that was appointed to have oversight of **Ebenezer Baker** and **Susanna Mosher** marriage, inform, they attended and it was consummated and conducted orderly so far as they discovered

*Return from Qarly meeting* Our Friends that was appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting, Inform they all attended except **Elisabet Kerby [Kirby]** who informs she was prevented by reason of indisposition in her family

*Epistle Rec<sup>d</sup>* also we received an Epistle from the same which was read and accepted containing much reasonable advice therein which is attended to was <sup>be useful</sup> The Overseers Inform that **Amie Bowdish** appears to be in the

*Amie Bowdish case* practice of keeping company out of the unity of friends, and likewise her mode and form of dress is inconsistent with our Profession, for which they have laboured with her, but it hath not had its desired effect, This meeting taking it under consideration do appoint **Mary Smith**, and **Phebe Smith** to labour further and treat with her for her help, and for the clearing of Truth, and they to make report next monthly meeting

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*4 Month 1783* **Mary Wood** wife of **Abraham Wood**, hath sent a few lines to this meeting, Condemning her marrying out of the Order and unity of Friends; on which account this meeting doth appoint **Susanna Russel [Russell]** **Patience Austin**, and **Deborah Davis**, to take the necessary care in order to discover the Sincerity of Said acknowledgement, and they to make report when ready

*Latitia Anthony Certificate* Signed a Removal Certificate on behalf of **Latitia Anthony** wife of **Abraham Anthony**, Recommending her as a member to **Rhode Island** monthly meeting

*Adjourned Mett* This Meeting Adjourns to the 30<sup>th</sup> of this Instant Mett by adjournment y<sup>e</sup> 30<sup>th</sup> of 4<sup>th</sup> month 1783 Represent<sup>ves</sup> both present

*Concerning Lydia Bowdish* This Meeting Received a few lines from the monthly meeting at the **Oblong**, bearing date the 17<sup>th</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> 2<sup>d</sup> month 1783 In answer to a request this meeting made, some time past, to that meeting, concerning **Lydia Bowdish**; which informs they have answered our Request; and inspected said matter And she appeared to be disorderly in some matter, in some respects and while under their admonition, She married out of the Unity of Friends, for which <sup>misconduct</sup> <sup>[?]</sup> the Necessary care was taken they have Testified against her and now disowned her the said **Lydia Duel** (formerly **Bowdish**) which proceedings of theirs we Joine and Unite with

*Rhoda Potter acknowledgedment* **Rhoda Potter** some time past brought a few lines to this meeting Setting forth that she hath been in the practice of keeping company with a young man in a disorderly manner, without unity of her Parents, which she Condemns in Said paper ~ the meeting refer'd it to the Overseers, to inspect the matter, and labour as the <sup>case</sup> may require – Now the overseers report they have laboured with her and they believe She is Sencear in some measure, and think best to pass by her misconduct: this meeting excepts said report and takes up with her acknowledgement.

At a Monthly Meeting of Women friends held in **Dartmouth** 19<sup>th</sup> of 5<sup>th</sup> mo 1783

5 Month  
1783 **Bershabe Howland** and **Hannah Mosher** appointed to attend the monthly meeting both Present

*Amie Bow=*  
*=dish deny'd* The Committee that was appointed to labour and Treat with **Amie Bowdish** for her misconduct, Report they have had a Suitable oppertunity with her and discharged themselves, and received no Satisfaction from her; the meeting finding them =selves clear without any further labour; do deny her the said **Amie Bowdish** from being a member under the care of this Meeting and appoints **Peace Shearman** and **Elizabeth Wood** to Inform her of her denial ~ This meeting being inform'd by overseers That her Sister **Phebe Bowdish** hath conducted in the same disorderly practices for which she hath been treated with, she not clearing herself therefrom; the Same Committee are desired to Treat and labour with her further; and if she gives them no Satisfaction, It is the Judgment and conclusion of this meeting to deny from a right of membeship and from under the care of this meeting; and inform her thereof, and report to next monthly meeting

*Phe Bowdish*  
*disorderly*

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5 Month  
1783 **Bash Wood** Receiv'd The Friends that was appointed to have a Solid oppertunity to inspect the Sencerity of **Bershabe Wood**'s Pertition to come under the care of this meeting; Inform they have taken the nec<sup>e</sup>ssary care and find good Satisfaction; and think best to Receive her; in Consideration thereof she is Received in membership and under the care of this meeting

*Sarah Weaver*  
*request*

**Sarah Weaver** Petitions to be taken under the care of this meeting: **Joanna Gifford** and **Rhoda Mott** are appointed to take the nescary care to discover the motive thereof, and they to make report to this meeting when ready

*Ben Giffords*  
*proposal*

**Benjamin Gifford Ju<sup>r</sup>** and **Rhoda Potter** made propoosals of marriage with each other, before this meeting, and were desired to ~~to~~ wate for their answer untill next monthly meeting **Hannah Mosher** and **Rhoda Mott**, are appointed <sup>^</sup>to make enquiry into the young womans clearness respecting marriage and Conversa=  
=tion; and they to make report to the next monthly meeting

*To settle with*  
*Treasurer*

This <sup>^</sup>meeting appoints **Sarah Anthony Mary Smith** and **Susanna Smith** To revise the Minutes and Settle with the Treasurer, and they to make report to the Monthly Meeting

6 month  
1783

At a Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held in **Dartmouth** y<sup>e</sup> 16<sup>th</sup> of 6<sup>th</sup> month 1783 Representatives are **Sarah Gifford** & **Abigail Shepherd** both present

*clerk*

**Sarah Gifford** appointed Clerk for this day **Sarah Gifford** and **Mary Tucker** are appointed to Inspect into **Bershabe Woods** Life and Conversation, and to assist in drawing a Certificate if She is found worthy of one

*Bash Wood*

*adjorn'd*  
*met*

This meeting adjourns to the 23<sup>d</sup> of this Instant Mett according to adjurnment y<sup>e</sup> 23 of y<sup>e</sup> 6<sup>th</sup> month 1783

The Representatives called upon both present  
*Phe Bowdish deny'd* The Committee appointed to treat with **Phebe Bowdish** concerning her keeping company, out of the Unity of Friends; and likewise the Superfuety of her mode of dress: Inform they have had a Solid oppertunity with her and informed of the Judgment and conclusion of the meeting, which was to disown her if she gave no Satisfaction; which they could not discover any dispositon of amendment nor found nor found no Satisfaction in her conduct Now this meeting finding themselves clear, do confirm the last monthly meeting's conclusion and do deny her the said **Phebe Bowdish** from a right of membership, and from under the care of of this meeting.

*Sent to Qurt meeting* The Queries have been read in this meeting and answers Prepared therto, with an Epistle Sign'd and to be sent up to the Quarterly meeting by our Representatives, who are **Elisabeth Kirby**, and **Phebe Smith** and they to make report to the next Monthly Meeting

*Rhoda Potter Clearness* The Friends appointed to make inquiry into **Rhoda Potters** Clearness Respecting marriage and Conversation: make report they have made Inquiry and find nothing to hinder their proceeding in marriage

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*6 month 1783* **Benjamin Gifford Ju<sup>r</sup>** and **Rhoda Potter** appeared for their Answer: which was they may proceed to take Each other in marriage at some convenient time before the next Monthly meeting: adviseing with the overseers who are **Rhoda Mott** and **Mary Dewel** they being appointed in order to see the Marriage Solemnised and accomplished orderly, and they to make report to next Monthly Meeting

*Ben Giffords answer* This meeting adjourns to the 25<sup>th</sup> of this Instant Mett accoring to adjournment the 25<sup>th</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> 6 month 1783.

*adjounn'd mett* The Representatives Called both present  
*Clerk* **Mercy Slocum** appointed Clerk at time

*Mary Wood Received* The friends that were appointe to have a Solid oppertunity to inspect into Sincerity of **Mary Woods** Pertion to come under the care of this meeting, inform they have taken the necessary care and find good Satisfaction, and think best to receive her in membership and under the care of this meeting in consi=  
*Freeborn Rider Certificate* =deration thereof this meeting accepts of said **Mary Wood** under the care of this meeting

Signed a Removal Certificate for **Benjamin Riders** little daughter **Freeborn Rider**, Recommending her to the care of **RhodIsland [Rhode Island]** monthly meeting

*Jane W<sup>ms</sup> Certificate This book procured* Signed a Removal Certificate for **Jane Williams** wife of **John Williams**; Transfering <sup>her</sup> to **RhodIsland** monthly meeting

*Treasury* The Treasurer Informs there is a book procured to Record the meetings minutes in ~ the price Sixteen Shillings Lawful money, and one Quire of paper Two Shillings, Lawful money

The Committee appointed to Settle accounts with the

*Settled* Treasurer, make report they have Settled, and there remains in the Stock the Sum of one Shilling and Six pence Lawful money

*7 month 1783* At a Monthly meeting of Women Friends held in **Dartmouth** 21<sup>st</sup> of 7 mo<sup>^</sup>1783 Representatives are **Mary Smith** and **Mehetible Tucker** both present

*Sarah Weaver Received* The Committee that were appointed to take the necessary care, to inspect the Sincerity of **Sarah Weavers** Petition to be taken under the care of this meeting, Inform they have had a Solid conference with her on that Subject, and found such Satisfaction that they think best to Recieve her, the meeting taking it into consideration, do take up with said report, and do Receive her the Said **Sarah** into membership and under the care of this meeting

*Return from Quart meet=  
=ing  
Epistles received* The Reprsentatives that were appointed to attend the Quarter=  
=ly meeting, inform they attended according to appoint<sup>ment</sup> by whom we received an Epistle from the same; with a transcript of an Epistle from **Philadelphia** Yearly meeting of women friends: With one from a Yearly meeting of Women Friends held at **Long Island** all <sup>^</sup>of them contain<sup>ing</sup> much good and Seasonable advice therein, which is truly acceptable to those that are truly ingaged amoungs, with rearl design that it may be Improved, and be like bread cast upon the waters

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*7 Month 1783* Received a Certificate from the monthly meeting of **Nantucket** on behalf of **Eunice Marshall** which is accepted

*Eu Marshall Ben Gifford married* The friend appointed to have the oversight of **Benjamin Giffords** and **Rhoda Potters** marriage inform, they attended said marriage and as far as they discovered it was consumated orderly

*Ruth Sowl [Soule] Removed without a Certificate* This meeting is Informed that **Ruth Sowl [Soule]** wife of **Joseph Sowl [Soule]** hath Removed, with her family within the Verge of **Accoakset [Acoaxet]** month=  
=ly meeting to reside, without asking for a Certificate: **Joanna Gifford** and **Hannah Mosher** are appointed to inspect the circum=  
=stance concerning her and her daughters, they also having right of membership, and if nothing appears to hinder they to prepare one and bring to the next monthly meeting

*Adjornd met* This Meeting Adjourns to the 6<sup>th</sup> day <sup>^</sup>of next month Mett by Adjournment y<sup>e</sup> 6<sup>th</sup> y<sup>e</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> month 1783.

Representatives Called **Mary Smith** Present

*John Potter* Being Informed from the Mens meeting that they are about to Tes=  
=tifie against **John Potter**, and Deny him from a right of membership for his disorderly walking: Which <sup>^</sup>this Meeting concurs and Unites with

*On joining to Sandwich Quarter* This meeting is informed from the mens meeting that they have chose a Committee to unite with the Yearly Meetings Committee, respecting Join=  
=ing this meeting to **Sandwich** Quarterly, and propossed our uniteing there=  
=with, therefore this meeting appoints **Elisabeth Slocum** and **Susanna Smith** in order to Joine and unite with Said Committee on that Subject

*Isaac Smith* This meeting is Inform'd from the mens meeting, that they are ab<sup>o</sup>ut to deny **Isaac Smith** (Son of **Gershom Smith**) which we unite & concur with  
*Chilon Wood & family* Signed a Removal Certificate on behalf of **Chilon Wood** his wife **Bershaba** and their Children whose names are **Charles** and **Ruth Wood**, Recom=  
=mending them as Members of Monthly meeting att **Saratoga**.

*Extracts from yearly meeting to be Record'd* Received some Extracts from our last yearly meeting held at **Rhode=**  
**=Island** Respecting Mens and Womens meeting uniting together in regard to Dealing with and disowning disorderly members, and likewise the Receiving persons into membership, or under the care of Said meeting, with some other matters: all which are to be Entered in the Book of Discipline as Rules of Society

*8 month 1783* Att a Monthly meeting of Women Friends held at **Dartmout [Dartmouth]** y<sup>e</sup> 18<sup>th</sup> of 8<sup>th</sup> month 1783  
*clerk appointed* The Representatives called, **Deborah Gifford** Present  
**Mary Slocum** appointed Clerk for this day  
*Gilbart Russell Complained* This meeting is Informed from the mens meeting that **Gilbart Russell** keeps Company with a young woman not of our Society: and his apparel is not agreeable to our profession

*David Chace denied* This meeting is informed by the mens meeting; they have deny'd **David Chace** a Right of membership, for Suffering to disorderly marri=  
=age in his house contrary to the rules of our Discipline and not attending our Religious meetings: Which this meeting concurs and unites with which denial was Signed in this meeting

*John Potters denial Sign'd* Signed a Publick denial against **John Potter** for his disorderly walking

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*8 month 1783* This Meeting appoints **Martha Gifford** and **Marcy** <sup>^Slocum</sup> to Inspect into the Circumstance of **Elisabeth Little** and her children, and if upon inquiry they are found worthy to prepare a Certificate and bring to the monthly meeting when ready as She has removed with her husband and family within the Verge of **Accoakset [Acoaxet]** Monthly meeting

*Jane Smith to have copy* The Clerk is desired to give **Jane Smith** a copy of her denial  
*Isaac Smith denied* This meeting is inform'd by the mens meeting, they have Testified against **Isaac Smith** (son of **Gershom Smith**) for his disorderly walking Such as game=  
=ing, Singing, dancing and useing profain Language, and a neglect to our Religious meetings, and keeping company with a young woman not a member in Society, all which this meeting concurs and unites with, which denial was Signed in this meeting

*Visitors appointed* **Martha Gifford, Joanna Gifford, and Sarah Gifford** are appointed to Joine with the men, in visiting those disorderly members that are negligent in attending our Religious meetings and other disorders; and they to make Report when ready~

*W<sup>m</sup> Russell proposal of marriage* **William Russell** and **Hepzabah Mosher** proposed their intention of marriage with each other, before this meeting, they were desired to wait till next monthly meeting for their Answer,~ **Hannah Potter** and **Experience Hart** are appointed to make Inquiry into the young womans clearness respecting marriage and Conversation and make report to the next

Monthly meeting

*9 month  
1783* At a Monthly Meeting of Women friends held in **Dartmouth** y<sup>e</sup> 15<sup>th</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> 9<sup>th</sup> month 1783  
**Susanna Russell Hannah Wood** and **Joanna Gifford** are appointed to attend the  
monthly meeting, all Present

*Jane Smith* **Jane Smith** hath been Served with a Coppy of her denial, according to  
the conclusion of last monthly meeting

*Susan Baker  
request* **Susanna Baker** wife of **Ebenezer Baker** desires a removal Certificate to  
Recommending her <sup>as member</sup> to **Accoakset** monthly meeting; **Mary Devaul [Devol]** and  
**Joanna Gifford** are appointed to make inquiry, and take the necessary care  
and prepare, and bring one to the next monthly meeting if nothing appear  
to hinder

*Rhoda Wing  
Request* **Rhoda Wing** wife of **Bennet Wing** desires a removal Certificate recom=  
=mending her to **Sandwich** monthly meeting, **Mercy Slocum** and **Mary  
Shearman** are appointed to make inquiry into her Conversation and her  
Circumstance, and if nothing appear to hinder, they to prepare on and  
and bring to next monthly meeting

*Complaint  
against  
Dilli Mosher* The Overseers brought a complaint to this meeting, that **Abigail  
Wilbor** and **Lusannah Crow** exhibited against **Delilah Mosher**  
and the overseers both men and women, have handed in  
a report of their Labour: Informing they inspected said matter and she  
appeared to be guilty of what the compalint expresses, also the  
Said **Delila** appears to be dishonnest, in her Labour at Several other  
places <sup>and</sup> she hath much neglected the attendance of our Religious  
meetings for which defect the overseers have discharged themselves and  
received no Satisfaction from her: Therefor this meeing appoints **Judith  
Russell, Mary Tucker,** and **Deborah Gifford,** to labour and treat further  
with her, in order to bring her to a Sight of the tendency of such  
Evil practices and likewise to deal with <sup>her</sup> for the clearing our  
Testimony as truth may open the way and they to make report when Ready

*Eber Chase  
Certificate  
Rec<sup>d</sup>* Received Removal Certificate from **Swnzey [Swansea]** monthly meeting on  
behalf of **Ebenezer Chase** recommending him as a member to this meeting  
which we unite in the Rec<sup>e</sup>ption thereof

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*9 month  
1783* The friends appointed to make Equiry concerning **Hephzabah Mosher**  
clearness respecting marriage and Conversation make report  
they find nothing to hinder

*W<sup>m</sup> Russell  
answer* **William Russell** and **Hephzabah Mosher** appeared for their answer  
which is they may proceed to take each other in marriage at some con=  
venient time between this and the next monthly meeting, adviseing with  
overseers who are **Mary Devoal [Devol]** and **Ruth Tucker** and they to see the  
the marriage consumated orderly and make report to next monthly  
meeting

*Eph<sup>r</sup>aim Mosher  
proposal of  
marriage* **Ephrim Mosher** and **Joanna Mosher** proposed thire Intentions of mar=  
=riage with each other and they are desired to wait for their answe<sup>r</sup>  
until the next monthly meeting; **Martha Chase** and **Joanna Gifford**  
are appointed to make enquiry concerning said **Joannas** clearness  
respecting marriage, and her other Circumstances and they to make

report to next monthly meeting

*Ruth Sowl  
Certificate*

Signed a removal Certificate on behalf of **Ruth Sowl [Soule]** and her daughters, **Susanna, Marcy** and **Thankful** for recommending them to **Accoakset [Acoaxet]** monthly meeting

*Barker Little  
denied*

Handed in from the mens meeting, a paper of denial against **Barker Little** which <sup>^</sup>this meeting units with and Signed the Same

*Gilbrt Russell*

Likewise a report handed in from a committee <sup>^</sup>of men friends concerning **Gilbrt Russell** which this meeting concurs with

*Adjornd  
mett*

This Meeting adjourns to the 24<sup>th</sup> of this Instant  
Met by adjournment the 24<sup>th</sup> of the 9<sup>th</sup> month 1783

The Representatives Called, **Joanna Gifford** and **Hannah Wood** both present

*Sent to Quartrly  
meeting*

The Queries hath been Read in this meeting and answers prepared thereto, with an Epistle Signed and to be sent up to the Quarterly meeting by our Representatives, Who are **Deborah Gifford** and **Phebe Smith** and they to make report to next monthly meeting

*Elders appoint  
=ed*

A Committee of men and Women Friends, respecting chusing Elders, report, They have had Several Sollid oppertunities of conferences, with the Elders, and the friends nominated in order to know the mind of Truth; and after due consideration it is our Sence And Judgment, that it may be best to appoint **Caleb Greene**, and **Mercy Slocum** for that Service; said report being accepted; (this meeting, with the concurrence of the mens meeting) do appoint **Caleb Greene**, and **Mercy Slocum** to the place of Elders, And do recommend them to the Quarterly meeting as Such

*Benj Gifford Ju<sup>n</sup>  
and wife  
denyed*

The Overseers of men and women friends, Report they have inspected the matter concerning **Benjamin Gifford Ju<sup>n</sup>** and his wife **Rhoda**, and they appear to be guilty of the Sin of Fornication, as appears by their own confession, for which the Overseer with some dificulty got an oppertunity in discharging themselves, in labouring with them, but found no Satisfaction; they having no desire for h<sup>e</sup>lp and soon went away in a privet manner, and not having oppertunity for further labour, do deny them from under the care of this meeting; and appoint **Mary Devaul [Devol]** and **Joanna Gifford**, to Joyne the men friends to draw a Testimony of denial against them.

*Deb: Smith  
Treasurer*

This Meeting makes choice of **Deborah Smith** for their Treasurer and she now Received what money there is in the Stock which is 0-1<sup>s</sup>-6<sup>d</sup>

*Joanna Mosher  
request a  
Certificate*

**Joanna Mosher** Informes, She is about to remove within the compass of the **Nine Partners** monthly meeting <sup>^</sup>& desires a Certificate  
There to

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*9 month  
1783*

There to; This meeting appoints **Joanna Gifford** and **Martha Chase** to take the necessary care with the assistance of the men friends and if nothing appears to hinder to prepare one and bring to the next monthly meeting

*10 month  
1783*

At a Monthly meeting of Women Friends held in **Dartmouth** y<sup>e</sup> 20<sup>th</sup> of 10<sup>th</sup> M<sup>o</sup> 1783  
The Representatives are **Bershaba Howland** and **Mary Smith** both present



**Mercy Slocum** Clerk for this day

*W<sup>m</sup> Russell  
married* The friends appointed to have the oversight <sup>^of</sup> **William Russells** and **Hephzabah Mosher's** marriage make report, they attended according to appointment, and discovered nothing, but that it was consummated in Some good degree Orderly

*Return from  
Quart meeting* The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly <sup>^meeting</sup> inform they attend =ed accoring to appointment ~ We received an Epistle from our last Quarterly meeting, containing very Seasonable advice, which was Read in this meeting to good Satisfaction

*Elder* ~~**Mercy Slocum** is appointed in the place of an Elder~~

*Ephraim  
Mosher answer* **Ep<sup>h</sup>raim Mosher** and **Joanna Mosher** appeared for their answer wh<sup>h</sup>ich was, that they may take each other in marriage, at some convenient time between, now and next monthly meeting, advising with the Overseers, who are **Mary Devoal [Devol]** and **Mary Tucker** they to see the marriage consummated orderly and make report to the next monthly meeting

*Adjourns  
mett* This meeting adjourns to the 29<sup>th</sup> of this Instant

Met by adjournment y<sup>e</sup> 29<sup>th</sup> of the 10<sup>th</sup> month 1783

**Mercy Slocum** Clerk for this day: Representatives called both present

*Elisabet Little  
and Rhoda  
Wing certifi<sup>ed</sup>  
& Susa Baker* Signed two Removal Certificates one for **Elisabet Little** recom- =mending her to **Accoakset** monthly meeting, and one for **Rhoda Wing** wife of **Bennet Wing** Recommending her to the monthly meeting <sup>and</sup> of **Sandwich** ~ Signed a removal Certificate for **Susanna Baker** wife of **Ebenezer Baker** Recommending her to **Accoakset** monthly meeting

*Rhoda Gifford* This meeting appoints **Sarah Anthony** to to Inform **Rhoda Gifford** of her denial and make report when ready

*11 month  
1783* At a Monthly meeting of Women friends held in **Dartmouth** 17<sup>th</sup> of 11<sup>th</sup> mo 1783

**Mercy Slocum** Clerk for this day ~ The Representatives all Present

*Ephraim  
Mosher  
married* The friends appointed to have the Oversight <sup>^of</sup> **Ephraim Mosher** and **Joanna Mosher's** marriage make report they attended according to appointment, and discovered nothing but that it <sup>^was</sup> consummated in Some good degree orderly

*Care taken to  
inform Rhoda  
Gifford* This meeting is infor'm'd that a necessary care hath been taken to inform **Rhoda Gifford**, wife of **Benjamin Gifford** of her denial

*Ruth Bowdish  
request* This meeting is informed that **Ruth Bowdish** desires a few lines by way of Certificate Recommending her to the **Oblong** monthly meeting **Mary Devoal [Devol]** and **Rhoda Mott** are appointed <sup>^to</sup> draw one and bring to next monthly meeting if they find things clear

*Complaint against  
Ruth Mott* This meeting is Informed by the Overseers that **Ruth Mott** is in the Practice of keeping Company with one out of the unity of Friends for which **Martha Chase** and **Ruth Tucker** are appointed to Labour with her and make Report when Ready

- 11 Month  
1783  
Rebec Russell  
acknowledge  
ment* **Rebecca Russell** hath sent in a paper Condemning her depart=  
ing so from friend Principles as to proceed in marriage out of  
the unity of Friends; **Martha Chase, Joanna Gifford** and  
**Mary Devoal [Devol]**, are appointed to discourse with her the said  
**Rebecka Russell** and make report when ready
- Joanna Mosher  
Certificate* Signed a <sup>Removal</sup> Certificate for **Joanna Mosher** wife of **Ephraim  
Mosher** Recommending her to the **Ninepartners** monthly meeting
- 12 Month  
1783* At a Monthly meeting of Women friends held in **Dartmouth** 15<sup>th</sup> of 12<sup>th</sup> mo 1783  
**Elisabeth Slocum Mary Howland** and **Deborah Davis** are  
appointed to attend the monthly meeting all present
- Sent to Quar=  
=terly meeting* The Queries have been Read and answers prepared and sent up  
to the Quarterly meeting with an Epistle Signed and sent by our  
Representatives, who are **Martha Chase, Sarah Howland, Joanna  
Gifford, Deborah Davis, Deborah Smith,** and **Abigail Hart**
- W<sup>m</sup> Giffords  
proposal of  
marriage* **William Gifford** and **Hannah Smith**, proposed their Intentions  
of marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait till  
next monthly meeting for their answer: ~ **Alice Anthony** and  
**Susanna Allen** are appointed to inspect into the young womans  
clearness respecting marriage Conversation and make Report  
to next monthly meeting
- Ruth Bowdish  
Certificate  
Adjourn  
mett* Signed a removal Certificate for **Ruth Bowdish**, Recomend=  
ing her to the **Oblong** monthly meeting
- This meeting Adjourns to the 24<sup>th</sup> of this Instant  
Met by adjournment the 24 of 12 month 1783
- Zeviah Smith  
Confession* Representatives all present: ~ **Mercy Slocum** Clerk for the day  
**Zeviah Smith** hath sent in a paper Condemning her attend=  
a marriage out of the Unity of Friends which <sup>this</sup> meeting accepts of
- Alice Woods  
case* The Committee that was appointed to inspect into **Alice  
Woods** conduct and Conversation, by the request of **RhodIsland [Rhode Island]**  
monthly meeting: make Report they find nothing to hinder  
her being restored <sup>in</sup>to membership, which this meeting accepts of  
and **Sarah Gifford** and **Elisabeth Slocum**, are appointed to inform  
the said meeting that a care hath been taken agreeable <sup>to</sup> their  
Request
- 1 month  
1784* At a Monthly meeting of women friends held in **Dartmouth** 19<sup>th</sup> of 1<sup>st</sup> mo 1784  
The friends appointed to attend the monthly <sup>meeting</sup> are **Selvister Howland** and  
**Joanna Gifford** both present. ~ **Mercy Slocum** Clerk for the day
- Return from  
Quarterly  
meeting* The friends that was appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting  
make report they attended according to appointment to their Satis=  
=faction all <sup>except</sup> one; and received an Epistle from our Last Quar=  
=terly meeting <sup>which was read in this meeting</sup> to Satisfaction
- Rebecca Russell  
Received* The Committee that was appointed to inspect into the Sincerity  
of **Rebecca Russells** request, make report they send so much  
Satisfaction in the Sencerity of her mind, that they thought  
it might be Safe to accept of her request <sup>which this meeting</sup> accept & units with

- 1 Month  
1784  
George Smith* The Committee that was appoited to Labour with **George Smith 2<sup>d</sup>**  
and wife, make report they find so much Satisfaction that they  
are free that their acknowledgement should be Received which

& wife acknow  
ledgment Rec<sup>d</sup>

this meeting accepts provided they cause it to be Read at the close of a first day meeting <sup>^for</sup> Worship between now and next monthly meeting See page 23

The Friends that were appointed to inspect into **Hannah Smith** conduct and conversation respecting <sup>^marriage</sup> make <sup>re</sup>port they find nothing to hinder

*W<sup>m</sup> Gifford  
Answer*

**William Gifford** and **Hannah Smith** appeared for their answer which is the may proceed to take each other in marriage at some convenient time between now and next monthly advising with the Overseers, who are ~~the~~ **Sarah Anthony** and **Selivster Howland** who are appointed to see the marriage consummated or=derly and they to make report to the next monthly meeting

*Frac: Allen  
Denied*

We are informed from the mens meeting that they have denied **Francis Allen Ju<sup>r</sup>** a right of membership, which this meeting unites concurs with

*Alice Wood  
Case*

The meeting hath Signed and sent a few lines to the monthly meeting of **Rhod Island** agreeable to their request respecting **Alice Wood** informing them we have made enquiry into her Life and conversation, since among us and find nothing suf=icient to hinder her being received into membership among friends

*Adjon'd  
mett.*

This meeting Adjourns to the 28<sup>th</sup> of this Instant Mett by adjournment y<sup>c</sup> 28 of the 1 month 1784  
The Representatives both present

*Jona Talman  
& Jethro  
Russell Rec'd*

This meeting is informed by the men tha they have taken into con=sideration the request of **Jonathan Tallman** and **Jethro Russell** and think proper to receive them <sup>^into</sup> membership, which this meeting this meeting unites and concurs with

*Complaint  
against  
Phebe Lap=  
=ham*

This meeting is informed by one of the Overseers that **Phebe Lapham** is in the practice of keeping company with one out of the unity of Friends, Notwithstanding she has often been advised to desist from such practices; she still continues in the same, for which **Susanna Allen** and **Mary Tucker** are appinted to Labour further with her, and make report when ready

*Delila Mosher*

Signed a paper of denial against **Delila Mosher** which is to <sup>^be</sup> read at the Close of a first day meeting for Worship; Which is <sup>^as</sup> follows below

*Seats for black*

This meeting appoints **Deborah Smith** to inform **Delila Mosher** of her denial and make report to next monthly meeting

This meeting appoints **Elisabeth Slocum** and **Mary Smith** to Joine the men friends in providing Seats for the black people

*Delila Mosher\*  
Testimony  
of dnial*

Whereas **Delila Mosher** dughter of **Ebenezer Mosher**, being a member of this meeting, not taking heed to the Testimony of Truth in her own heart, hath gradually fallen in a state neglegence in attending our Religious meetings, and also into Several Evils perticurlly, in taking some Flower from **Abigail Willbor** without her consent, and then accused **Lusanna Crow** of taking the same: all which she hath been Laboured with in Love for But our Labours of Love not having its desired Effect; Therefore for the clearing of Truth and Friends from such Evil practice we are concerned to give this forth as a publick Testimony against her, the said **Delila**, disowning her from being a mem=  
=ber

*1<sup>st</sup> Month  
1784*

Member of our Society, yet desireing that she may come to a Sight and Sence of her outgoings and with unfeigned Repentance she may return unto the way of Truth, which is our Sinclear desire, ~ Given forth from our Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** by Adjournment the 26<sup>th</sup> of the 1<sup>st</sup> month 1784

Signed in and by Order of said meeting by **W<sup>m</sup> Anthony Ju<sup>r</sup>** Clerk  
**Mercy Slocum** Clerk

*Mary Woods  
request*

**Mary Wood** wife of **Abraham Wood** desires a few lines by way of Certificate Recommendin her to the monthly meeting at **Saratoga Sarah Buffinton [Buffington]** and **Mary Tucker** are appointed to draw one and bring to next monthly meeting if <sup>they</sup> find nothing to hinder

*Deb Howand  
[Howland]*

This meeting appoints **Elisabeth Slocum** to Joine the Committee Respecting **Deborah Howland**

*2 Month  
1784*

At a Monthly meeting of Women friends held in **Dartmouth** 16<sup>th</sup> of 2<sup>d</sup> Mo 1784 The friends appointed to attend the monthly meeting are **Susanna Russell, Hannah Wood, and Phebe Smith**, all present **Mercy Slocum** Clerk

*W<sup>m</sup> Gifford  
married*

The friends that was appointed to have the to have the [*sic*] Oversight of **William Giffords** and **Hannah Smiths** marriage make report they discovered nothing but <sup>that</sup> it was consumated in a good degree orderly

*Delila Mosher  
inform'd*

**Deborah Smith** inform this meeting that according to appont=  
=ment She had Informed **Delila Mosher** of her denial

*On dividing  
Preparative  
meeting*

This meeting appoint **Judith Russell, Mary Smith, Sarah Anthony, Joanna Gifford, Elisabeth Slocum, Martha Gifford** to and **Sarah Howland**, to Joine the Committee of men in respect to dividing y<sup>e</sup> Preparative meeting

*Mary Bowdish  
disorderly*

This meeting appoints **Elisabeth Slocum** and **Mary Tucker** to Labour with **Mary Bowdish [Bowditch]** on account of going to Seperate meetings — and Justifying the Same, although she hath been Laboured with on that account, and they to make report when Ready

*Mary Wood  
Certificate*

Signed a Removal Certificate for **Mary Wood** wife of **Abraham Wood** Recommending her to **Saratoga** monthly meeting

*Deborah How-  
=land denied*

The Committee of men and women friends that was appointed to Labour with **Deborah howland** on account of her Slackness in attending <sup>our religious</sup> meetings, and likewise her mode of dress: which Labours of love did not have the desired Effect: and they think it will be most for the honnour of Truth to minute against her; which report this meeting accepts of; and do deny her a Right of membership amongst Friends

*Adjournd  
mett*

This meeting Adjourns to the 25 of this ins<sup>t</sup>ant mett by Adjournment y<sup>e</sup> 25<sup>th</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> 2<sup>d</sup> month 1784 Represent<sup>vs</sup> all present

*Deb Howland*

This meeting appoints **Hannah Potter** to inform **Deborah Howland** of her denial and make report to the next monthly meeting

*Anne Marshal  
Certificate*

Received a Certificat from the Monthly meeting of Friends  
on **Nantucket** in behalf of **Anne Marshall**, which this meting  
accepts of Received by Collection 0-1<sup>s</sup>-8<sup>d</sup> Lawful

*Josiah Wood  
Restored*

We are Informed from the mens meeting, they have received  
the acknowledgement of **Josiah Wood** provided he cause it to  
be read at the Close of a first day meeting for Worship which this  
meeting unites and concurs with the reception thereof

*On building  
Bedford meet  
=ing house*

**Martha Gifford, Elisabeth Slocum & Mary Smith** are appointed to  
Join the men to inspect into the request <sup>^</sup>of **Bedford** friends for building a  
meeting House.

*2 Month  
1784*

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*Ruth Mott  
(now Woddle)  
denyed*

The Committee that was appointed to Treat with **Ruth Mott** on  
account of her keeping company and marrying out of the Unity of  
Friends; make report. they find no Satisfaction for which this  
meeting denies her a right of membership amongst Friends

**Martha Chase** is desired to Inform **Ruth Woddle [Wordell]** (formerly  
**Mott**) of her denial, and make report to next monthly meeting

*3 month  
1784  
Deb Howland*

At a Monthly meeting <sup>of</sup> Women Friends held in **Dartmouth** 15<sup>th</sup> of 3<sup>d</sup> Mo 1784  
Representatives both present who are **Elisabeth Slocum, Patent Austin**

**Hannah Potter** inform'd this meeting she inform **Deborah  
Howland** of her denial

**Martha Chase** has informed **Ruth Woddle [Wordell]** of her denial accord=  
=ing to appointment

*Sam Gidly  
denied*

This meeting is informed by men friends they have denied  
**Samuel Gidly [Gidley]** a right of membership for marrying out of the  
the Unity of friends, which this meeting concurs with

*Report on Bed=  
=ford meeting  
house*

The Committee of Men and and [*sic*] women friends that was appint  
to have a conference with **Bedford** friends, have brough in their  
Report; which is they think very necessary for them to have a  
meeting house, which this meeting Concurs with

*Sent up to  
Quarterly  
meeting*

The Queries have been Read answers prepared, with an Epistle  
Signed and sent up to Quarterly meeting by our Representatives  
who are **Judith Russell** and **Elisabeth Slocum**

*meeting appoin  
ted the neck*

By a request of some in the **Neck** and others that there be a  
meeting held at **Susanna Allen**'s y<sup>e</sup> 19<sup>th</sup> of this Instant, and  
**Mercy Slocu**<sup>^m</sup> to attend the Same and **Joanna Gifford** and make  
Report next monthly meeting

*Adjourn'd  
mett*

This meeting Adjourns to the 24 of this Instant  
Met by adjournment y<sup>e</sup> 24<sup>th</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> 3<sup>d</sup> month 1784  
**Mercy Slocum** Clerk for this time

The Representatives being called One presen the other sent a reasonable Excu<sup>se</sup>

Received a Certificate from **Nantucket** Monthly meeting in

behalf **Rebeckah Roach [Rotch]** setting forth while her stay was there She was of an orderly Life and Conversation

*Report  
On dividing  
Preparative  
meeting*

The Committee that was appointed to Joine with the men friends on considering the divideing our Preparative meeting, and bounding the Same, make Report, that they have Solidly considered and confereed on that matter, and it is their Judgment it should be divid=ed; which report is accepted; and with the concurrence of the men Said Preparative meeting is divided accordingly; and that <sup>^sd</sup> Prepari=ative meeting be held as usually; and the North be held at **Newtown** on fifth day; and at **Bedford** on Sixth day next before our monthly meeting, and that the Quantity of time to be hild at each place be left to a Committee ~ who are **Martha Gifford Mary Smith** to Join with the men therein. and report to next monthly meeting and the first North Preparative meeting be held at **Newtown** next

**Hannah Tucker** and her daughters **Rebeca**, and **Joanna** are to Remain to the same meeting as formerly, by their request

The Treasurer hath Receive by Collection £0·4<sup>s</sup>·2<sup>d</sup> Lawful money

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*4 Month  
1784*

At a Monthly Meeting of Women friends held in **Dartmouth** 19<sup>th</sup> of 4 Mo 1784 The Representatives all Present, who are **Susanna Allen** and **Edith Russell**, ~ and for **Newtown Keziah Russell** and **Rhoda Mott**

*Phebe Lapham  
now Russell  
denied*

The Committee that was appointed to Labour with **Phebe Lapham** (now **Russell**) in regard to her keeping company out of the Unity of Friends, make Report that with the concurrence of the men friends that was appointed, think they are clear of <sup>^</sup> further labour as she was Published about that time, and married soon after. which report this meeting accepts of, and do deny her a Right of Membership amongst Friends, and from under their care

*Report on di=  
=viding the  
time of prepa  
ritive meet=  
=ing*

The Committee of men and women friends that was appoint=ed to consid<sup>^er</sup> dividing the Preparative meeting make report It is their mind and Judgment, for it to be held one half the time at **Newtown**; and the other half at **Bedford**:

*Report of meet  
ing in the  
neck*

The Committee of men and women friends that was appointed to have the Oversight of the appointed meeting at **Susanna Allens** in **Slocums Neck**, make report they all attended, and that the meeting was large and conducted orderly and to a degree of Satisfaction.

*Report from  
Quarterly  
meeting*

**Judith Russell** Inform's this meeting, that according to appoin<sup>t</sup>=ment, She attended the Quarterly meeting to good Satisfaction We Received an Epistle from our Last Quarterly meeting which Read in this meeting to a good degree of Satisfaction.

The Friends that was appointed to Labour with **Mary Bowdish [Bowditch]**

*Mary Bowdish*  
*to be denied* on account of her going to Seperate meetings, make Report they had a Sollid oppertunity with her, but finding no Satisfaction this meeting accepts Said Report, and do appoint **Mary Smith** and **Elisabeth Slocum** to draw a publick Testimony against her and bring to the next monthly meeting

*Amie Prouds*  
*Certificate* Received a <sup>removal</sup> Certificate from the Monthly meeting of **East Greenwich**, in behalf of **Amie Proud** Which this meeting accepts of

*To review*  
*minutes* **Sarah Anthony** and **Mercy Slocum** are appointed to View the Minutes in order to be recorded, and make report to the next monthly meeting Or when perform'd

*Mercy Slocum*  
*Clerk* This Meeting appoints **Mercy Slocum** Clerk for the ensuing year  
Received by Collection o<sup>£</sup>-1<sup>s</sup>-6<sup>d</sup>

*5 Month*  
*1784* At a Monthly meeting of Women Friends held in **Dartmouth** the 17<sup>th</sup> day of the 5<sup>th</sup> month 1784

The Representatives are **Deborah Gifford** and **Elisabeth Kirby** and for **New Town [Newtown]** **Keziah Russell** and **Joanna Gifford** all present

*To revise*  
*miniuts* The Committee appointed hath Revised and corrected this meetings minuits in order to go on Record. also Settled with Treasury and remains in Stock 0—9<sup>s</sup>-0

*Phe Russell* **Phebe Smith** is appointed to Inform **Phebe Russell** of her deni<sup>al</sup>, and make report next Monthly meeting

*Deb Potter* **Deborah Potter** hath Sent in a paper <sup>of</sup> acknowledgment Condem=  
=ning her misconduct in falling into the Sin of fornication which caused her to marry out of the unity Friends

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## 21

*5 Month*  
*1784* The Overseers made report of their labour: they found a degree of Satisfaction, thought Seasonable to lay it before this meeting therefore **Elisabeth Slocum** and **Sarah Gifford** are appointed to labour further with her and to report when ready

*Lydia Arther*  
*request* **Lydia Arther [Arthur]** Informs this meeting she hath had a consern for Some time to come under the Care of Friends: this meeting so far accepts as to appoint **Martha Gifford**, **Susanna Russell** and **Judith Russell** to take the necessary care and they to make report when ready

*Abigail*  
*Brigg* **Abigail Briggs** some time past requested to come under the care of friends. The friends, that had it under their care think her Sincear this meeting appoints **Martha Gifford** and **Deborah Hicks** to take the necessary care and make report when ready

*Delila Mosher* **Deborah Smith** is desir'd to serve **Delila Mosher** with <sup>a</sup> copy of her Denial and make report to next month meeting

*Mehetable*  
*Gifford* The matter concerning **Mehetable Gifford** condemning her Misconduct. and Slacness of attending meetings being refered under our care: we now report; we have had Several Solid oppertunities with her and waited long to discover her Sincerity and attendenc of meetings: Our labour not having the desired effect, therefore

we think it not safe to receive her acknowledgment and do disown her from any wright of membership

*Sandwich* **Mary Smith** and **Mercy Slocum** are appointed to Joyn the yearly meeting Committee on account of Setting us of to **Sandwich** Quarter  
*adjornd* This Meeting Adjourns to the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of next month  
*mett* Met by adjournment y<sup>e</sup> 2<sup>d</sup> of the 6<sup>th</sup> month 1784  
Representative being called **Joanna Gifford** present

*Mary Bowdish* Signed a paper of denial against **Mary Bowdish [Bowditch]** Wife of **William Bowdish [Bowditch]** which is to be read at the close of a first day meeting for worship ~ Said Testimony is as followeth

*her denial* Whereas **Mary Bowdish [Bowditch]** wife of **William Bowdish [Bowditch]** have= made profession with us and under the care of this meeting but through unwatchfulness hath so far departed from the Princi= =ples we profess as to attend meetings held out of the unity of Friends for which misconduct she hath been laboured with in love but our labours not having the desired effect: Therefore thinking our Selves clear of any further labour with her: do disown <sup>her</sup> the said ~ **Mary Bowdish [Bowditch]** from any right of membership with us and from under the care of this meeting; Nevertheless hopeing she may come to a Sense of her outgoinges and return to <sup>the</sup> way of peace Given forth at our Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** 17<sup>th</sup> of 5<sup>th</sup> mo 1784 Signed in and on behalf of said meeting By **W<sup>m</sup> Anthony Ju<sup>r</sup>** Clerk  
**Mercy Slocum** Clerk

*Sandwich* The committee some time past to Joyn the men friend in confer= =ing with thy Yearly meetings Committee, on our being annexed to **Sandwich** Quarter, have not yet had oppertunity with said Committee, as they did not attend here as was expected. yet our Committ have Joyntly made <sup>a</sup> report which is accepted  
*Comm<sup>tee</sup>* This meeting makes choice of **Hannah Tucker Deborah Hicks** and  
*to visit* **Mercy Slocum** to have Cle'd Conferrences with those friends  
*overseers* nominated for Overseers in order to appoint or reappoint agree= =able to the advice of Epistle from last Quarterly meeting

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*6 Month* At a Monthly Meeting of Women frinds held in **Dartmouth**  
*1784* the 21<sup>st</sup> day of the 6<sup>th</sup> month 1784

The Representatives are **Elisabeth Slocum** and **Mary Tucker** and for **Newtown Susanna Russell & Rhoda Mott** all present

*Phebe Russell* According to appointment **Phebe Smith** hath informed **Phebe Russell** of her denial

*Dil Mosher* **Deborah Smith** informs she hath Served **Delila Mosher** with a copy of her denial, agreeable to y<sup>e</sup> conclusion of last monthly meeting

Received a Certificate from the monthly meeting of **Rhod [Rhode] Island**



*Alice Wood* in behalf of **Alice Wood** recommending her as a member to this  
*Certificate* Monthly meeting

Received a Certificate in behalf of our friend **Tidderman**  
*Tidderman* **Hull** from **Creek** Monthly meeting at **Nine Partners** bearing  
*Hull* Date the 21<sup>st</sup> of the 5<sup>th</sup> month 1784

*Sam'l Hopkins* And one from the Monthly meeting of friends held at **Phili=  
=delphia** at the **bank** meeting house Northen Destricts, in behalf  
of **Samuel Hopkins** Dated y<sup>e</sup> 25<sup>th</sup> of the 5<sup>th</sup> month 1784

And one from the Monthly meeting held at **Westbury** on  
*John Willis* **Long Island** dated the 25<sup>th</sup> of the 5<sup>th</sup> 1784 In behalf of **John Willis**

And one from the Same Monthly meeting in behalf of **Joseph**  
*Jos Willit* **Willet [Willis?]** y<sup>e</sup> 26 of the 5<sup>th</sup> month 1784.

All which was read in this meeting to good Satisfaction

*Sarah* **Sarah Barney** attended this meeting with a Certificate directed  
*Barney* to friends in **Pensylvania [Pennsylvania]** Indorsed by friends theare Setting  
forthe~~r~~ their unity with her visit which was read in this meeting  
to good Satisfaction, bearing date y<sup>e</sup> 27 of 9<sup>th</sup> month 1783 to y<sup>e</sup> 4<sup>th</sup>

*Lydia Arther* The friends that had the care of **Lydia Arthurs** request make  
report they have preformed their appoint and they finding a  
good degree of Satisfaction: this meeting accepts said report  
and do receive her into membership and under the care of  
this meeting

*Nat<sup>h</sup> Gifford* Read and Signed a paper of denial against **Nathaniel Gifford**  
*and wifes* and **Mehetable** his wife which is to be read at the close of a  
*Denial* first day meeting for Worship between now and next monthly  
meeting – Which is as followeth

Whereas **Nathaniel Gifford** and **Mehitable** his wife having  
had a Birthright among friends and under the care of this meeting  
but by not adhering to the dictates of truth in their own hearts and  
giving way to the Temtation of the enemy have fallen i<sup>n</sup>to the  
Reproachful Sin of Fornication as appears by their having a child  
Soon after marriage: also they appearing Slack in attending  
Religious meetings altho' friends bestowing much labour in love  
to convince them of the Evil thereof and the incombent duty of  
attending Religious meetings but our Labour not having the  
desired

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*6 month* desired Effect to friends Satisfaction, and they remaining much  
*1784* <sup>^</sup>remis[?] in attending meetings: Therefore we are concerned to give this  
forth as a Testimony against Such conduct hereby disowning them  
the said **Nathaniel Gifford** and **Mehitable** his wife from being in  
Membership with us; Yet that they may come to a Sight and Sense  
of their out goings and return to the way of truth is our Sencear  
Desire ~ Given forth and Signed in and on behalf of our Monthly  
meeting of friends held in **Dartmouth** y<sup>e</sup> 21 of 6<sup>th</sup> month 1784.

By **W<sup>m</sup> Anthony Ju<sup>r</sup>** Clerk  
**Mercy Slocum** Clerk

*George  
Smith 2  
and wifes  
acknow=  
=ledgment*

**George Smith 2<sup>d</sup>** and wifes paper of confession and Acknowledge=  
=ment hath bee read as directed – and is <sup>as</sup> followeth ~ see page 17<sup>th</sup>

To the Monthly meeting of Friends to be held at **Dartmouth**  
Beloved Friends

With concern and Sorrow of mind we have to acquaint you  
that by departing from the dictates. and Testimony of Truth in our  
own miends, and giving way to the Temtation of the enemy have  
fallen into the reproachful sin of Fornication as appears by our  
haveing a child born soon after marriage. Which occasioned us  
to marry out of the Order of Truth Now these are to Testify to  
Friends and publickly to declare to the world that we are Sencearly  
Sorry for our Transgression do here by condemn the same; desiring  
forgiveness from the Almighty against whose righteous Law we have  
Sinned, takeing the Shame and reproach to ourselves, desiring <sup>hereby</sup> to  
clear Friends and the Testimony they bear from the Same; and  
desire friends so far to pass by our offences ~~as~~ that if the occation  
of the reproach hereby given shall be removed they would continue  
us under their care, desiring in future through divine protection  
to be preserved from the like Transgressions

From your friends **George Smith 2**

Dated y<sup>e</sup> 16<sup>th</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> month 1783

**Mary Smith**

*adjourned  
mett*

This meeting Adjourns to the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of next month

Mett by adjourn the 2 day of y<sup>e</sup> 7<sup>th</sup> month 1784

The Representatives **Elisabeth Slocum** and **Susanna Russell** present

**Alice Anthony** and **Sarah Gifford** are appointed to prepare two

*Hannah  
Gifford  
Theodate  
Jonson*

Certificates one for **Hannah Gifford** wife of **William Gifford** recommending  
her to **Accoakset [Acoaxet]** monthly meeting: and one for **Theodate Jonson [Johnson]** to  
the

Monthly meeting at **Rhod [Rhode] Island**

*Abigail  
Briggs*

The Friends that had the matter of **Abigail Briggs** request  
make report they have had Several oppertunity with her and they  
finding a good degree of Satisfaction this meeting accepts said  
report and do receive her into membership and under the care of  
this Meeting

*Sent to Quar=  
terly  
meeting*

The Queries have been read and answers prepared with an Epis=  
=tle signed and sent up to the Quarterly meeting by our Representativ<sup>es</sup>  
who are **Patience Austin** and **Rhoda Tucker** and they to make  
Report to the next Monthly meeting

No Collection this Month

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*7 Month  
1784*

At a Monthly meeting of Women friends held in **Dartmouth**  
on the 19<sup>th</sup> day of the 7<sup>th</sup> month 1784

The Friends appointed to attend the monthly meeting are **Phebe  
Smith** and **Bershabe Howland** and for North Preparitive meeting  
**Judith Russell** and **Martha Chase**; all present

- Quar<sup>ly</sup> meeting* The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting inform they attended according to appointment
- Epistles Rece<sup>d</sup>* Received an Epistle from our last Quarterly meeting, with a Transcrip of an Epistle from the yearly meeting of women friend<sup>ds</sup> held at **Newport on Rhod [Rhode] Island** y<sup>e</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> of the 6<sup>th</sup> month And one from the Yearly meeting at **Philidelp<sup>h</sup>a** dated the 29<sup>th</sup> of the 9<sup>th</sup> month to the 3<sup>d</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> month 1783
- Extracts* With one from the Yearly meeting of Women friends held at **Westbury on Long Island** y<sup>e</sup> 29<sup>th</sup> of the 5<sup>th</sup> month to y<sup>e</sup> 2 of 6 mo <sup>1784</sup> With some extracts from the miniuts of the yearly meeting of women friends held at **Newport**, containing much seasonable Advice; all which ware read in this meeting to good Satisfaction
- Hugh Judge Jos Tatnall* Received a Certificate from the Monthly meeting of **Wilmington** in the County of **Newcastle upon Dellaware [Delaware]** held by adjournment on the 17<sup>th</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> 6 month 1784 In behalf of our friend **Hugh Judge** and **Joseph Tatnall** his companion which was read ~~in~~ to <sup>^</sup>Satisfaction. The matter of **Deborah Potter** is refer'd another month
- Deb Potter*
- Report of visitors* The Committee of men and Women friends that was appointed to labour with those that are negligent in the due attendance of our Religious meetings make report they have visited divers families in which they found peace and Satisfaction in themselves with hopes it may prove benifical to those laboured with
- Elisabeth Sanford* **Elisabeth Sanford** wife of **Elisha Sanford** informs this meeting She has had a concern on her mind for some time past to come under the care of Friends, which is <sup>^so</sup> far notised as to appoint **Martha Gifford** and **Elisabeth Slocum** to inspect the Sincerity of her request & the<sup>y</sup> to make report when ready
- Theodate Jonson* Read and Signed a Certificate for **Theodate Jonson [Johnson]** dated the 19<sup>th</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> 7<sup>th</sup> month 1784 directed to the monthly meeting of **Rhod [Rhode] Island**, Informing them her having a right of Mem=  
=bership amongst Friends
- Mary Barker Certificate* Received a Certificate from the Monthly meeting of **Saratogua [Saratoga]** the 20<sup>th</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> 1784. In behalf of **Mary Barker** Setting forth their Unity with her intended visit to her friends in **Dartmouth**; which was read <sup>^&</sup> Accepted
- 8 Month 1784* Received by Collecton -7<sup>s</sup>-2<sup>d</sup> Lawful <sup>money</sup> the 16<sup>th</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> month 1784
- Report of Deb Potter* The friends appointed to attend the Monthly meeting are **Amie Barker** and **Edith Russell**; for the North Preparitive Meeting are **Keziah Russell** and **Ruth Tucker** all except one present The Committee that had the matter of **Deborah Potter** under  
Their

*8 month 1784* Their care make report they have had several oppertunities with her, and they finding a degree of Satisfaction, this meeting accepts of said report, She causing it to be read at the close of a first day meeting for Worship between now and the next Monthly meeting She being present, and the

paper return'd to be recorded

*Silvia Smith  
acknow=  
=ledgment*

Whereas **Silvia Smith** Wife of **Jonathan Smith** some time past through unwatchfulness consenting, and being present at the marriag of her daughter, contrary to the good order of Friends; and likewise a Slackness in the attendence of our Religious meetings; all which she Condemns to the Satis=  
=faction of Friends and this meeting accepts of the Same

*Ruth Bow=  
=dish*

Received a few lines from the Monthly meeting held at the **Oblong** bearing date y<sup>e</sup> 17<sup>th</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> month 1784 in behalf of **Ruth Bowdish** [**Bowditch**], she being returned back; which informed a necessary care hath been taken, and they dont find that She hath forfeited her Right of membership while with them

*Overseers*

This Meeting thinks proper to dismiss all the Overseers in order to appoint or reappoint agreeable to the Advice from the Last Quarterly meeting

*Appointed*

This meeting makes Choice of **Rhoda Tucker** and **Rhoda Mott** Overseers of disorders for the year ensuing

*Amie How=  
=lands  
request*

**Amie Howland** Informs this meeting She has had a concern on her mind for some time past to come under the care of friends, Therefore **Ruth Tucker** and **Deborah Davis** are appoin=  
=ted to take the necessary care to inspect the Sincerity of her said request and they to report when ready

*Mary Barker  
Certificate*

Read and Signed an Indorsment on **Mary Barkers** Certificate as she is about to return home Signifying that she was a Steady attender of Meeting whilst here

*Overseers*

This meeting makes choice **Hannah Wood** and **Joanna Gifford** to the place of overseers of disorders

*Elis Sanford*

The matter of **Elisabeth Sanford** is refer'd another month

*9 Month  
1784*

At a Monthly meeting of Women Friends held at **Dartmouth** on the 20<sup>th</sup> of the 9<sup>th</sup> month 1784  
The friends appointed to attend the South Preparitve meeting are **Phebe Smith** and **Elisabeth Slocum** for the North Preparitive **Martha Chase** and **Patience Austin** all presen

*Deborah  
Potters paper.  
of acknow=  
=ledgment*

**Deborah Potters** paper condemning her misconduct hath been read agreeable to the conclusion of last monthly m<sup>e</sup>eting is as follows

**Dartmouth** y<sup>e</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> 9<sup>th</sup> month 1783

To the Preparitive and Monthly meeting of Women friends to be held at **Aponiganset** [**Apponagansett**]

Dear friends ~ Whereas I have fallen into the Sin of For=  
=nication which appears by my haveing a child so soon after marriage which caused me to marry out of the Unity of friend, which misconduct I condemn and am Sorry for desireing my great master to forgive me, and friends so far to pass it by as to let me remain under their care when they think me worthy

From your fr<sup>d</sup> **Deborah Potter**

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- 9 Month  
1784  
Amie Howland<sup>d</sup>* This meeting makes choice of **Judith Russell** to assist that Committee that was appointed to inspect into the Sincerity of **Amie Howlands** request & they to mak report when ready
- Elisa Sanford  
Received* The Committee that was appointed to inspect into **Elisabeth Sanfords** request, make report they have found pretty good Satisfaction and this ~~fond~~ meeting accepts said report and receives her into membership and under the care of this meeting
- Overseer* This meeting makes choice of **Elisabeth Slocum** <sup>^</sup>& **Keziah Russell** to the place of Overseers of disorders for the year ensuing
- Stephen Bark=  
=er & family  
Rec<sup>d</sup>* Received a Certificate from the Monthly meeting of friends held at the **long plain** for **Sandwich** y<sup>e</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> of 6<sup>th</sup> month 1784 in behalf of **Stephen Barker** and his wife **Margret** with their son **Samuel** which this meeting accepts of
- W<sup>m</sup>Howland  
proposal of  
marriage* **William Howland** and **Abigail Willbor [Wilbur]** proposed their Intentions of Marriage with Each other before this meeting they are desired to wait till next Monthly meeting for their Answer: **Susanna Allen** and **Bershabe Howland** are appointed to inspect into the young womans clearness re=  
=specting marriage and conversation, and they to make to the next monthly meeting
- Proposal to  
recommend  
James Davis  
& Martha  
Gifford.* This Meeting is informed by the Members of the Select meeting, they think it is Seasonable to Recommend **James Davis** and **Martha Gifford** as Ministers to the Quarterly meeting; Which is Refer'd to the adjournment of this meeting
- adjournd  
mett* This Meeting Adjourns to the first day of next month Mett by adjournment the 1<sup>st</sup> day of y<sup>e</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> month 1784 Representatives present except one who sent <sup>^</sup>a reasonable excuse
- Sent to Quar=  
=terly meet=  
ing* The Queries have been read Answers prepared with an Epistle Signed and to be sent up to the Quarterly meeting by our Representatives, who are **Sarah Gifford Edith Russell Judith Russell** and **Joanna Russell Gifford**, and they to <sup>^</sup>[illegible] to the next monthly meeting
- Annis Gidly* This meeting is Informed by the Overseers that **Annis Gidley** is in the practice of keeping company with a young man that is not a member of our Society for which She hath been Laboured with in order to reclame her there=  
=from, but it hath not had its desired effect; **Susanna Allen** and **Barsheba Howland** are appointed to labour further with her on that account, and they to make report when ready
- Eunice Russell* Likewise the Overseers inform that **Eunice Russell** wife of **William Russell** of **Bedford** hath fallen into the reprach=  
=ful Sin of Fornication, as appears by her own confession **Susanna Russell** and **Mary Tucker** are appointe<sup>d</sup> to Joine the men friends to labour with her on that account make Report <sup>^</sup>to next monthly meeting

*9 month  
1784  
Susanna  
Tripp* The Overseers Informed that **Susanna Tripp** wife of [*illegible*] <sup>Peleg</sup>  
**Tripp** has lately married out of the unity of friends not=  
=withstanding She was timely Precashoned; for which

misconduct and with <sup>the</sup> concurrence of <sup>the</sup> men friends we do  
disown her from having any right of membership among  
Friends; and **Lucia Howland** is appointed to inform **Susanna  
Tripp** of her denial, and make report to next monthly meeting

*James Davis  
Martha  
Gifford select* It is the conclusion of <sup>the</sup> Monthly meeting that **James Davis**  
and **Martha Gifford** be Recommended as Ministers to the  
Quarterly meeting

*10 Month  
1784* At a Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held in **Dartmouth**  
the 18<sup>th</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> month 1784

The friends appointed to attend the South Preparitive meeting  
are **Deborah Gifford** and **Mary Tucker**  
and for the North Preparitive meeting are **Judith Russell** and  
**Rhoda Mott** all present

*Eunice Rus=  
=sell* The Committee that was appointed to labour with **Eunice Russell**  
Inform they are not ready to make report, which is refered  
another month under the same friends care

*Susanna Tripp* **Lucia Howland** informes this meeting that according to appoint=  
=ment She hath informed **Susanna Tripp** of her denial

*Return from  
Quarterly  
meeting* The friends that was appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting  
Informs they attended accordingly

Received an Epistle from our Last Quarterly meeting. which  
was read in this meeting to good Satisfaction

*Jos Wilbor  
& wife  
request* This meeting is informed that **Joseph Willbor [Wilbur]** and **Abigail**  
his Wife Request to come under the care of Friends; **Elisabeth  
Slocum** and **Deborah Hicks** are appointed to Joine the Commit  
=ty of men friends in order to discover the Sencerit of their request  
and they to make report when ready

The friends that was appointed to inspect into [*illegible*] **Abigail  
Willbors [Wilburs]** clearness respecting marriage and conversation report  
they find nothing to hinder their proceeding in marriage

*W<sup>m</sup> Howlands  
Answer* **William Howland** and **Abigail Willbor [Wilbur]** appeared for their  
Answer which was they may proceed to take each other in  
Ma<sup>r</sup>riage at some convenient time between this and the  
next Monthly meeting, adviseing with the Overseer that are  
appointed for that purpose, who are **Bersheba Howland** and  
**Phebe Smith**, and they to see the marriage consumated Orderly  
and make report to the next monthly meeting

*Thom<sup>s</sup> Hicks* We are Informed from the mens meeting that our friend  
**Thomas Hicks** hath Sent in a paper Condemning some miscon=  
=duct which they have accepted and we unite therewith

*Lizann  
Shelden* This Meeting is informed by the Overseers that **Lizann  
Shelden** wife of **Jonathan Shelden** hath lately married out  
of the unity of fr<sup>i</sup>ends, altho' She was timely laboured with

and unde<sup>r</sup> a consideration thereof this meeting

Denies

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1784

Denies her any right of membership amongst Friends and **Hannah Mosher** is appointed to inform **Lizann Shelden** of her denial and She to make report to next monthly meeting

**Elisabeth  
Wing**

This Meeting is informed that **Elisabeth Wing** widdow has for Some time past frequented Meetings held out of the Unity of Friends, and Justifying herself therein therefore this <sup>meeting</sup> appoints **Elisabeth Slocum & Barsheba Howland** to labour with her in order to reclame her therefrom as way may open and they to make report to next monthly meeting

Collected this Mo 0-3<sup>s</sup>-9<sup>d</sup> Lawful money

11 Month  
1784

At a Monthly Meeting of Women friends held at **Dartmouth** y<sup>e</sup> 15<sup>th</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> month 1784 The friends appointed to attend the South Pr<sup>e</sup>paritive meeting are **Elisabeth Slocum** and **Mary Smith** for the North Preparitive meeting **Hannah Mosher** and **Keziah Russell** all present

**Eunice Rus=  
=sell**

The matter concerning **Unice Russell** is refered another month under the Same friends care

**Abigail  
Willbor**

The Committee that had the request of **Abigail Willbor [Wilbur]** rested under their care, report they have had several oppertunities with her and they finding a degree of Satisfaction this meeting (with the concurence of the men) accepts said report and do receive <sup>her</sup> into membership and under the care of this meeting

**W<sup>m</sup> Howland  
married**

The friend appointed to have the ovesight of the marriage of **William Howland** and And [*sic*] **Abigail Willbor [Wilbur]** report they attended accordingly, and discovered nothing but that it was consumated and conducted Orderly

**Lizann  
Shelden  
Amie Howlan<sup>d</sup>**

**Hannah Mosher** informs that according to appointment she hath informed **Lizann Shelden** of her denial

**Elisabeth  
Wing dis  
=oned**

The matter of **Amie Howland** is rested under the <sup>same</sup> friends care The Committee that had the matter of of [*sic*] **Elisabeth Wing** under their care report they have had an oppertunity ~~with~~ with her and they not finding Satisfaction this meeting (with the concurre<sup>ncc</sup> of the men) do deny her any right of membership among Friends; and **Mary Smith** and **Phebe Smith** are appointed to draw a publick denial against her the said **Elizabeth Wing** and bring to the next monthly meeting

**Hannah Bar=  
=kers bill**

The Treasurer is ordered to pay **Timothy Howland** to answer the Docters Bill for **Hannah Barker** ~ 0-13<sup>s</sup>-4<sup>d</sup>

*Adjourns  
mett* This Meeting Adjourns to the 24<sup>th</sup> of this Instant  
Mett by adjournment the 24<sup>th</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> month 1784  
Representatives called two were present

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*11 Month  
1784  
Amie How=  
=land Rec<sup>d</sup>* The Committee that had **Amie Howlands** request rested under their care, inform they have had several oppertunities with her and finding a degree of satisfaction; therefore this meeting (with the concurence of the men) accepts said report and do receive her into membership <sup>^with friends</sup> & under the care of this meeting

*Annis Gidly  
Ben Howland 3* The matter concerning **Annis Gidley** is rested under the same friends care and they to make report the next Monthly meeting  
This meeting appoints **Susanna Smith** and **Mary Smith** to Joine the Committee of men to labour with **Benjamin How=  
=land 3** and wife in regard to their keeping a Tavern contrary to the advice of friends

*School  
Comm<sup>tee</sup>* **Silvester Howland** and **Mary Smith** are appointed to Joine the <sup>^School</sup> Committee of men friends

*To visit in  
the neck* **Martha Gifford** and **Deborah Hicks** are appointed to Joine the Committee of men friends to visit those friend in the **neck** that have requested a meeting held thear

*12 Month  
1784* At a Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held in **Dartmouth** the 20<sup>th</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> 12<sup>th</sup> month 1784  
The friends appointed to attend the South Preparitive meeting are **Elisabeth Slocum** and **Sarah Howland**; **Elisabeth Slocum** Present, **Sarah Howland** sent excuse  
For the North Preparitive meeting **Judith Russell** and **Rhoda Tucker** both present

*Treasurer  
report* The Treasurer informs this meeting She hath answered **Timothy Howlands** account according <sup>^to</sup> the conclusion of last Monthly meeting

*Sent to Quarterly  
meeting* The Queries and answers have been read in this meeting with an Epistle Signed and sent up to the Quarterly meeting by our Representatives Who are **Mary Smith Lillis Gifford** **Mercy Slocum** and **Elisabeth Slocum**

*Elisabeth  
Wings  
Denial* Signed a paper of Denial against **Elisbeth Wing** widdow Which is to be read publicly at the close of a first day meet=  
=ing for worship between this and next monthly meeting <sup>^which</sup> is as follows

Whereas **Elisabeth Wing** widdow to **Samuel Wing** late of **Dartmouth** Deceased; having had her Education and Lived in Profession with Friends; until now of late she hath so far departed from our Profession as to attend such meetings as are held out of the Unity of Friends, and we having treated with her in love in order for her restoration and return but She not adhearing to our advice and counsel given but still continues and persist<sup>s</sup> therein and to Justify her said practice therefore we do publicly disown her the said **Elisbeth Wing** from being a member of our Religious Society until by a Sincear return and Reformation she shall be restored to the way of Truth



Given forth and Signed in and on behalf of our monthly meeting of men & w<sup>o</sup>men friends held in **Dartmouth** y<sup>e</sup> 20<sup>th</sup> of 12<sup>th</sup> month 1784  
**W<sup>m</sup> Anthony Ju<sup>r</sup>** Clerk  
**Mercy Slocum** Clerk

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12 Month  
1784  
*Elis Wing inform<sup>d</sup>*

**Mary Tucker** is desired to Inform **Elisabeth Wing** of her Denial and make report to next monthly meeting.

*Meeting granted in the neck*

The Committee that was appointed to Visit <sup>^</sup>those in **Slocums Neck** report they have accomplished their appointment in Visiting the families, and it is their Judgment it will be Convenient t<sup>o</sup> for them to have a meeting granted; which Report, both men and womens Meetings concur with and it is thought proper to be held two first days in each month, the first day before and the first day after the Monthly meeting: and the midweek meetings on the third day in each week our midweek meetings are held for wor=  
=ship only; and to be continued till the fourth month

*adjourns mett*

This meeting adjourns to the 29<sup>th</sup> of this Instant Mett by Adjournment y<sup>e</sup> 29<sup>th</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> 12<sup>th</sup> month 1784

*Benj<sup>a</sup> Howland 3*

Representatives called one Present  
The Committee that was appointed to treat with **Benjamin Howland 3<sup>d</sup>** in re[g]ard to his keeping Tavern contrary to the advice of Friends report, they think it best to continue it another month, which report is accepted

*Annis Gidly denied*

The Committee that had the matter of **Annis Gidley** under their Care inform they have had several oppertunitys with her, and they not finding satisfaction, think it may be Safe to Miniute against <sup>^</sup>her which report (with the concur=  
=ence of the men friends) is accepted by this meeting, and do deny her any right of membership among friends; and **Susanna Wood** is desired to inform **Annis Gidley** of her denial and make report to the next monthl meeting

*Giles Slocum Ju disowned*

We are Informed by the mens meeting that **Giles Slocum Ju<sup>r</sup>** is disown<sup>d</sup> from any right of membership among friends which this meeting concurs with

*Eunice Russell*

**Mary Smith** is added to the Committee on account of **Unice Russell**

*Hannah Gifford*

Signed a Removal Certificate for **Hannah Gifford** Re=  
commending her as A Member to **Acchoakset** [**Achoaxet**] monthly meeting

*Rebec Rotch request*

**Rebeckah Rotch** informs this meeting she is about to remove to **Philidelphia** [**Philadelphia**] and desires a Certificate; **Mary Smith** and **Mercy Slocum** are desired to inspect into her Conversation <sup>^</sup>& outward circumstances and if they find nothing to hinder to prepare, one and bring to the monthly meeting

*1<sup>st</sup> Month*

At a Monthly meeting of Women Friend held in **Dartmouth**

1785 the 17<sup>th</sup> of the 1<sup>st</sup> month 1785

The friends appointed to attend from the South Preparitive meeting are **Lucia Howland** and **Elisabeth Kerby [Kirby]** for the North Preparitive meeting are **Patience Austin** and **Rhoda Mott** all present except one who sent a Satisfactory excuse

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*1<sup>st</sup> Month*

1785

*Return from*

*Quar<sup>ly</sup> met*

*=ing*

The Friends that was appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting Report that they all attended except **Elisabeth Slocum** who informed she could not attend by reason of indisposi=  
=tion in her family

Receiv'd Epistle from <sup>our</sup> last Quarterly meeting wich was read in this meeting to good Satisfaction

*Elis Wing*

**Mary Tucker** informs <sup>this</sup> meeting that according to appointment She hath informed **Elisabeth Wing** of her denial

*Annis Gidley*

The friend that was to informe **Annis Gidley** of her denial is desired to continue in that service till it be performed and make report next monthly meeting

*Of meetings*

*in Slocums*

*neck*

This meeting appoints **Elisabeth Slocum Susanna Allen & Hannah Wood** to Joine the Committee of men to have the Oversight of the meetings held in **Slocums neck** to see if it be conducted agreeable to the honour of truth and they to make report at the conclusion of said meeting

*Sam<sup>l</sup> Mosher*

*disown'd*

This meeting is informd from the men,s that they have denied **Samuel Mosher** son of **Ebenezer Mosher** any right of membership among friends which this meeting unites and Concurs with

*2 Month*

1785

At a Monthly meeting of Women Friends held in **Dartmouth** the 21<sup>st</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> 2 month 1785

The friends appointed from the South Preparitive mee[t]ing are **Hannah Wood** and **Mary Tucker**; For the North Pre=  
=paritive meiting **Rhoda Tucke[r]** & **Deborah Davis** all present

*Annis Gidly*

*inform'd*

**Susanna Wood** Informs this meeting that according to appointment she hath informed **Annis Gidley** of her denial

*Eunice Rus=*

*=sell disownd*

The Committee that had the matter of **E<sup>n</sup>nice Russell** rested under their care, report they have treated with her on that account of her misconduct and dont think in her present state of mind to restore her into mem=  
=bership which report this meeting accepts and with the Concurrence of the men friends do deny her any right of membership among friends; and **Mary Smith** and **Mary Tucker** are appointed to draw a publick Testi=  
=mony against **Eunice Russell** and bring to the next monthly meeting

*Rebecca*

*Rotch*

*Certificate*

Signed a removal Certificate for **Rebecka Rotch** widow to **Joseph Rotch** Recommending her to the monthly meeting at **Philidelphia [Philadelphia]** This meeting is informed they <sup>have</sup> denyd **Jonathan Tucker** any right of membership among friends <sup>which</sup> we concur with

*Mary Russell*

*request*

**Mary Russell** informs us <sup>she</sup> is about to go to **Philidelphia [Philadelphia]** with her brother **Abraham Russell** & desires our <sup>concurrence</sup> therein this meeting

taking it under consideration do approve thereof and the Clerk is desired to give her a Copy of this minute

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3 Month  
1785

At a Monthly meeting of Women friends held at **Dartmouth** y<sup>e</sup> 21<sup>st</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> 3<sup>d</sup> month 1785  
The Friends appointed to attend from <sup>^</sup>South Preparitivis meeting are **Deborah Gifford** and **Elisabeth Kirby**. from the North Preparitive meeting **Susanna Russell** and **Hannah Potter** all present

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through next 2  
lines]  
**Lydia Arthur**  
request

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**Lydia Arthur** Informs this meeting she hath thoughts of returning back to **Nantucket** and desires a few lines by way of Certificate: therefore this meeting appoints **Judith Russell** and **Susanna Russell** to take the necessary care and if they find nothing to hinder to prepare one and bring to the next monthly meeting

**Deb & Dorcas Smith** requ[er]st  
Certificate

**Thomas** and **Rebecca Smith** Informs this meeting they desire a few lines Recommending their two daughters **Deborah** and **Darcos** to **Swanzy** monthly meeting; **Rhoda Mott** and **Ruth Mosher** are appointed <sup>^</sup>to take the necessary care and if nothing <sup>^</sup>appears to hinder to prepare one and bring to the next Monthly meeting

**Ann Jessop**

Our Friend **Ann Jessop** attended this meeting on a Religious Visit with a Certificate from the Monthly and Quarterly meetings held at the **New Garden** in **Carolina** 31<sup>st</sup> of 7<sup>th</sup> mo 1784 which was read in this meeting to Satisfaction, whose labour: of love was kindly accepted amongst us

**Jethro Russell:**  
request  
accepted

Whereas **Jethro Russell** And **Rebeckia** his wife some time past Pertitioned to this meeting in behalf of their Children **Martha Mary** and **Howland** being received into membership with Friends: and the friends appointed report that a necessary care hath been taken and they discover nothing but that they may be received into membership with Friends; which report is accepected [sic] both by mens & womens metings

Adjourn'd  
mett

This meeting Adjourns to the 2<sup>d</sup> day of next month.  
Mett by adjournment y<sup>e</sup> 2 day of the 4<sup>th</sup> month 1785  
Representative all present except one who did not attend by reason of Indisposition

Sent to Qurt  
meeting

The Queries have been read and answered in this meeting with an Epistle Sign'd and sent up to our Quarterly meeting by our Representative who are **Judith Russell Deborah Gifford** and **Sarah Howland**

**Deb Potter**

**Deborah Potters** acknowlegment hath been read accord=  
=ing to the conclusion of the monthly meeting

**Jonathan Wood** Rec<sup>d</sup>

This meeting is informed by the mens they have received **Jonathan Wood** a young son of **Josiah Wood** into

membership among Friends.

*Abigail  
Mosher*

This meeting is Informed by the Overseer that **Abigail Mosher**

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*3 Month  
1785*

Daughter of **Ebenezer Mosher** hath so far Transgress'd the good Order of Friends <sup>as</sup> to Company with one not in the Unity of friends: and there is some Scanderlous report concerning her which She doth not deny, Therefore **Sarah Gifford** and **Lucia Howland** are appointed to Treat with the Said **Abigail Mosher** in regard to her misconduct as way may open, and they to make report to the next Monthly meeting

*Eunice Russells  
denial read*

**Eunice Russells** Paper of Denial hath been read agree =able to the conclusion of last Monthly meeting  
Whereas **Unice Russell** Wife of **William Russell** of **Dartmouth** having had her Education and hath made Profession With us the People Called Quakers But through unwatchfullness and disregarding the testimony of truth in her Own Mind She hath So Far departed from Our Profession as to Fall into the Reproachfull Sin of Fornication Which Appears by her having a Child Soon after marr[i]age and Friends having Treated with her on that Account in Order to bring her to A Sight of her departure from the Way of truth but our Labour therein not fully Obtaining the desired End, to the Satisfaction of this Meeting We do therefore Give this forth as a Testimony against her the Said **Eunice Russell** and do hereby disown her from Being A member of Our Religious Society Untill By Repentance Manifested By an amendment of life she shall Be Restored to the Way of Truth

Given Forth By our monthly meeting held at **Dart [Dartmouth]** the 2[1?]th Day of the 3<sup>d</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1785 and Signed in & on Behalf of Said Meeting By  
**W<sup>m</sup> Ant[h]ony J<sup>m</sup> Clerk**  
**Mercy Slocum Clerk**

*4 Month  
1785*

At a Monthly Meeting of Women friends held in **Dartmouth** the 18<sup>th</sup> day of y<sup>e</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> month 1785  
The friends appointed from the South Preparitive meeting are **Mary Tucker** and **Lusanna Howland** from the North Preparitive meeting **Keziah Russell** and **Rhoda Mott** all present except one who sent a Satisfactory Excuse

*Return from  
Quarterly  
meeting*

The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting report they all attened: Received an Epistle from our last Quarterly meeting, which was read in this meeting to good Satisfaction

*Report of  
Abigail  
Mosher*

The Committee that had the matter of **Abigail Mosher** **Mosher** [sic] rested under their care report that according to appointment they have discharged themselves therein and and [sic] it is their mind and Judgment it will be most for the honour of truth to deny her a right of membership amongst friends; which report (with the concurence of men friend this

*meeting  
Denial*

<sup>meeting</sup> doth accept; **Mary Smith** and **Mercy Slocum** are to draw a publick Testimony against **Abigail Mosher** & bring to next monthly meeting

*4 Month  
1785  
Sarah Buffinton* **Mary Tucker and Mehetabil Tucker** are appointed to Prepare a Certificate for **Sarah Buffinton [Buffington]** and bring to the next Monthly meeting if nothing appears to hinder

*James Allens  
proposal  
of marriage* **James Allen and Sarah Howland** proposed their Intentions of marriage with each other at this meeting they are desired to waite till next Monthly meeting for their Answers: **Sarah Gifford** and **Hannah Wood** are appoint to Inspect into **Sarah Howlands** clearness respecting marriage and conversation and make report to next monthly meeting

*Report of meet=  
in the neck* The Committee that had the care and Oversight [*sic*] of the meetings <sup>held</sup> at **Susanna Allens** report that the time was expired, and they discovered nothing but that it was kept up in a good degree orderly

*Deb & Dorcas  
Smith  
Certificates* Read and Signed two Certificates one for **Deborah** and one for **Dorcas Smith** daughter of **Thomas** and **Rebeckah Smith** Recommending them as members to the monthly meeting of **Swanzy**

*5 Month  
1785* At a Monthly Meeting of Women friends held in **Dartmouth** the 16<sup>th</sup> of the 5<sup>th</sup> month 1785 The Friends appointed from the South Preparitive meeting to attend the monthly meeting are **Bersheba Howland & Abigal Shepherd** From the Nort Preparitive meeting **Judith Russell** and **Rhoda Tucker** all present

*Sarah Howland  
clearness* The Friends appointed to inspect into **Sarah Howlands** clearness respecting Marriage and conversation; inform they have made inquiry and find nothing to hinder her proceeding in marriage

*Rhoda Shear=  
=man* **Rhoda Shearman [Sherman]** request to come under the care of this Meeting which is so far under notice as to appoint **Deborah Allen** and **Phebe Smith** to inspect into the Sencerity of her request and they <sup>to</sup> make report when ready

*Abigail  
Cornell* Read and Signed a paper of denial against **Abigail Cornell**, wife of **Elihu Cornell** which is to be read at the close of a first day meeting between this and the next monthly meeting

*James Allens  
Answer* **James Allen and Sarah Howland** appeared in this meeting for their Answer; which was they might proceed to take Each other in Marriage at Some Convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting adviseing with the Overseers this meeting shall appoint for that purpose, **Elisabeth Slocum** and **Bersheba Howland** are appointed to ~~consume~~ ~~see~~ See the Marriage Consumated and conducted Orderly and they to make report to next monthly meeting

5 Month  
1785  
**Obedia Beird**  
Rece<sup>d</sup>  
Clerk appoin<sup>d</sup>  
**Zephaniah**  
**Eddy & fami**  
=ly Certificate

This Meeting is Inform'd by the mens meeting they have Received **Obediah Beird [Beard]** into Membership with Friends which this meeting ~~Unites and~~ concurs with

**Mercy Slocum** is <sup>re</sup>appointed Clerke for the year ensuing Received a Certificate from the Monthly me<sup>e</sup>ting at **Accoak=** =set [**Acoaxet**] in behalf of **Zephaniah Eddy** and **Anne** his wife and their children Recommending them as Members to <sup>this</sup> meeting which is accepted, the Childrens names are **Mary, John Sarah** and **Job Eddy**

6 Month  
1785

At a Month<sup>ly</sup> meeting of Woman friends held in **Dartmouth** the 20<sup>th</sup> of the 6<sup>th</sup> month 1785

The Representatives from the south Preparitive meeting are **Hannah Wood** and **Mary Smith**

From the North Preparitive mee[t]ing are **Susannah Russell** and **Mehetable Tucker** all present

**Rhoda Shear=**  
=mans

The Committee appointed respecting **Rhoda Shearmans [Shermans]** request inform, they have not fulfilled their appointment by reason of sickness therefore it is refered to next monthly meeting

**Abigail Mosher**  
now **Cornell**  
her denial

This meeting is inform'd that **Abigail Moshers** <sup>now</sup> **Cornwel [Cornell]** paper of denial hath been read as ordered & is as follows

Whereas **Abigail Cornell** now the wife of **Elihu Cornell**, being the daughter of **Ebenezer** and **Jean Mosher**, having been under the car of friends but hath so far departed from the Principles of Truth in her own mind as to fall into the reprochful sin of fornication as appears by her haveing a child before marriage and friends having discharged a Christian duty in Treating with her in love on that account in order for her ~~be~~ resto= =ration and Repentance But that not being obtained [to?] [*blot*] Friends Satisfaction, do therefore for the clearing of Truth and Friends, hereby Publicly disown her the said **Abigail Cornell** from being a member <sup>of</sup> our Religious Society untill by Sinclear Repentance she shall be restored to the way of Truth

Given forth and Signed in and on behalf of our monthly meeting of Friends held in **Dartmouth** y<sup>e</sup> 16<sup>th</sup> of 5<sup>th</sup> month 1785

By **Caleb Greene** Clerk

**Mercy Slocum** Clerk

**James Allen**  
married

The Friends appointed to see the marriage of **James Allen** and **Sarah Howland** consumated report they attended Said Marriage and did not discover but that it was Conducted orderly

- 6 Month  
1785  
*W<sup>m</sup> Tripp &  
family Rec<sup>d</sup>* Received a Removal Certificate from **Acoakset [Acoaxet]**  
Monthly Meeting in behalf of **William Tripp** his wife  
and children whose names are **Othnial Meriah Lydia**  
and **Elisabeth Tripp** Recommending them to the care  
of this meeting, which is accepted
- Representatives* This meeting appoints **Anne Eddy Rhoda Tucker**  
**Phebe Smith** and **Silvester Howland** as Representatives  
to the Quarterly meeting
- Nanny Gifford* **Nanny Gifford** Informs this meeting she hath it on her  
mind to visit **Sandwich** Quarterly meeting held on  
**Nantucket**, and having the concurrence of both meetings  
the Clerk is desired to furnish her with a Coppy of the  
mens Monthly meetings Miniuts
- To compile  
answers to  
Queries* **Mary Smith** and **Elisabeth Slocum** are appointed to  
Compile the Answers to the Queries and draw an account  
to the Quarterly meeting and bring to the adjournment  
of this meeting
- Adjourned  
mett* This meeting Adjorns to th[e] 1<sup>st</sup> day of the next month after meeting <sup>for worship</sup>  
Mett by adjournment y<sup>e</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> day of y<sup>e</sup> 7<sup>th</sup> month 1785  
The Representatives all present except **Susanna Russell**  
This meeting appoints **Elisabeth Slocum** Clerk for this day
- answers  
to Queries  
& Epistle  
sent* The friends appointed to compile the answers to the  
Queries and draw an account to the Quarterly meeting have  
presented them, which after being read are approved and  
Signed by the Clerk and Sent forward to the Quarterly  
meeting by our Representatives
- 7 Month  
1785* At a Momonthly [*sic*] Meeing of Women friends held in  
**Dartmouth** y<sup>e</sup> 18<sup>th</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> 7<sup>th</sup> month 1785  
The friends appointed to attend the Monthly meeting  
From the South Preparitive <sup>^meeting</sup> are **Joanna Gifford & Lucia Howland**  
From the North Preparitive meeting are **Judith Russell** and  
**Rhoda Tucker** all present
- Clerke* **Deborah Davis** is appointed Clerk for this day
- Rhoda Shar  
man rec<sup>d</sup>* The friends that had the care of **Rhoda Shearmans [Shermans]** request  
inform they discover nothing but that she may be received among  
Friends in consequence of which report this meeting receives  
her as a member having the mens concurence therein
- Return from  
Quarterly  
meeting* The Representatives to Quarterly meeting inform they  
all attended according to appointmen except **Silvester**  
**Howland** who was not well enough to attend by whom we  
Received the Quarterly meeting Epistle and it has been read  
to Satisfaction; also a Transcrip from a **Philidelphia [Philadelphia]** Ep[i]stle  
and one from **Wesbery [Westbury]** on **Long Island** all which contained  
Seasonable Advice
- [?blot]  
Epistles  
Receiv<sup>d</sup>*

7 Month  
1785  
David Shep=  
herd request

This meeting is informed that **David Shepherd Ju<sup>r</sup>** request A Certificate for himself and family to **Sandwich** monthly meeing; **Susanna Russell** and **Enice Taber** are appointed to take the necessary care and prepare one if nothing hinder and bring to next Monthly meeting

Job Devaul  
disown'd

We are Informed ~~from~~ from the mens meeting they have concluded to desown **Job Devaul [Daval]** from a right of membership among Friends which this meeting unites and concurs with

James Davis

This Meeting is inform'd from the mens that **James Davis** has it on his mind to visit **Falmoth [Falmouth]** monthly meeting <sup>^this meting</sup> units and concurs with Collected at this meeting 0-5<sup>s</sup>-0<sup>d</sup>

To revise &  
Correct  
miniutes

This meeting appoints **Elisabeth Slocum** and **Mary Smith** to Revise and correct this meetings miniutes in order to be put on Record; and to settle with the Treasurer - - - - -

8<sup>th</sup> month  
1785

At a Monthly meeting of women friends held in **Dart-mouth** the 15<sup>th</sup> of the 8<sup>th</sup> month 1785

The Friends Appointed to attend the monthly meeting from the South Preparative meeting. are **Sarah Howland** and **Elizabeth Kirby**, from the North Preparative mee-ting **Patience Austin & Experience Hart** all Present

To review  
correct mi<sup>tes</sup>

The Committee that was appointed to Review and Correct the monthly meetings minutes inform, they have not fulfil'd their appointment by reason of Sickness — — —

Sil. Grinall  
M. Howland  
disown'd

This meeting is inform'd by the Overseers that **Silvia Grinall [Grinnell]** wife of **Cornelius Grinall [Grinnell]** and **Mary Howland** wife of **Isaac Howland** have both so far departed from the Principles of truth as to marry out of the Unity of friends Notwithstanding they have been Seasonably precautioned but they not adhearing thereto, this meeting after due Consideration with the Concurrence of the mens do deny them any right of membership among friends; **Alice Anthony** is Appointed to inform **Silvia Grinall [Grinnell]** & **Mary Howland** of their Denial & report to next monthly meeting

Ben<sup>a</sup> Allen  
Receiv'd

We are inform'd from the mens meeting they have Conclud-ed to receive **Benjamin Allens** Accknowledgement for Satisfaction which this meeting Concurs with — — — —

S. Buffintons  
& familys  
Certificate

Read and Signd two Certificates. one for **Stephen Buffin-ton [Buffington]** & **Sarah** his wife & their Children whose names are **Zephaniah Stephen & Sarah** Recommending them as mem-bers to **Acoakset [Acoaxet]** monthly meeting; and one for **David She-pherd** and **Sarah** his wife with their Children whose names

D Sherphe'd  
& family  
Certificate

Are



8<sup>th</sup> month  
1787

**Thomas Reliance John James & Caleb Shepherds** Recommending them as members to **Sandwich** monthly meeting

*C: Russells  
paper brought*

**Catharine Russell** hath sent a paper to this meeting Condemning her attending an Entertainment of a marriage out of the unity of Friends but the Overseers not being fully Satisfied therewith, this meeting doth appoint **Sarah Howland Anne Eddy & Elizabeth Kirby** to Labour further with her as Truth my open the way, & they to make report to next monthly meeting

*Committee  
to treat with  
C: Russell*

*Committee  
to nominate  
overseers*

This meeting appoints **Hannah Tucker Deborah Hicks Martha Gifford & Mercy Slocum** a Committee to nominate Such persons as they think Qualified to the place of Overseers & th<sup>e</sup>y to inform the monthly meeting

9<sup>th</sup> month  
1785

At a monthly meeting of women Friends held in **Dartmouth** the 19<sup>th</sup> of the 9<sup>th</sup> month 1785: The Representatives from the South Preparative meeting are **Anne Eddy [Eddy]** and **Mary Tucker** from the North Preparative meeting **Keziah Russell** all present

*S: Grinall &  
M: Howland  
informed  
Comm.<sup>tee</sup> to treat  
with C.R. not  
ready to report*

**Alice Anthony** informs She hath informed **Silvia Grinall [Grinell?] & Mary Howland** of their Denial The Committee that was appointed to treat with **Catharine Russell** inform they are not ready to bring in their Report - - The Committee that was appointed to view & Correct the monthly meetings minutes inform they have fulfilled their appointment & Settled with the Treasurer & there remains in Stock £0-14<sup>s</sup>-9<sup>d</sup>

*minutes  
view<sup>d</sup> & settled  
with Treasure<sup>r</sup>  
not ready to  
chuse overs:<sup>r</sup>*

The Committee that was appointed respecting Overseers inform they are not ready to bring in their report

*Queries  
answer:d*

The Queries & Answers have been read in this meeting; **Mary Smith & Mercy Slocum** are appointed to Compile the answers & write an Epistle to the Quarterly meeting and bring to the Adjournment of this meeting

*appointed  
to go Qu'mee<sup>ng</sup>*

**Deborah Gifford Anne Eddy [Eddy] & Rhoda Tucker** is appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting

*H: Smiths  
proposal  
marrige*

**Henry Smith & Abigail Russell** Propos.<sup>d</sup> their intention of marriage with Each other before this meeting  
and

9<sup>th</sup> month  
1785

And they are Desired to wait till next monthly meeting for their answer, **Deborah Hicks & Mary Smith** are appointed to inspect into **Abigail Russells** Clearness respecting marriage & they to make report to the next monthly meeting

*adjourn.<sup>d</sup>  
mett*

This meeting Adjourns to the 28<sup>th</sup> of this Instant Mett by Adjournment the 28<sup>th</sup> of the 9<sup>th</sup> month 1785; The Representatives present are **Anne Eddy [Eddy] & Mary Tucker**

*Answers  
Compiled*

The Friends that was appointed to Compile the Answers to the Queries have presented them with an Epistle which was read & Signed & Sent to the Quarterly meeting

*C: Corbins Certificate* Received a few lines form the monthly meeting att **Oblong** dated the 12<sup>th</sup> of the 9<sup>th</sup> month in behalf of **Charity Corbin** wife of **Peter Corbin** Signifying their unity with her visit to her Friends in **Dartmouth** which is Excepted by this meeting & an Indorsment wrote thereon Signifying the Same which was Sign:d by the Clerk

*C: Russells paper Accepted* The Committee that was appointed to treat with **Catharine Russell** on Account of her attending the Entertainment of a marriage of out of the Unity of Friends, report they found such Satisfaction they think her Acknowledgment may be Accepted which this mee-

*F: Rotch disown:d* -ting takes up Satisfied with This meet-  
-ing is informed from the mens they have deny:d **Francis Ro'ch** any right of membership among friends for his not Attending of our Religious meetings & other Indecencies which this meeting Concurrs with

*Comm:tee to visit Defects* It is the Conclusion of this meeting to Appoint a Com-  
-mittee to visit those members that are negligent in attend-  
-ing of our Religious meetings & other Defects;

*16<sup>th</sup> month 1785* At a Monthly meeting of women Friends held in **Dart-**  
**-mouth** the 17<sup>th</sup> of the 10<sup>th</sup> month 1785 the Representatives from the South Preparative meeting are **Elizabeth Slocum** & **Susanna Allen** from the North **Rhoda Mott** & **Ruth Mo-**  
**-sher** all present The Representatives Appoin-

*return from Qur<sup>y</sup> meeting* -ed to attend the Quarterly meeting inform, they Attended by whom we receiv:d an Epistle which was read in this meeting to Satisfaction Desiring the advice therein may be im-  
-prest on Every mind

**Ruth**

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*R:Howlands  
A:Howlands  
Acknowledgment*

**Ruth Howland Anne Howland & Elizabeth Howland** have Each Sent a paper to this meeting informing, they Sometime past attended an Entertain-

*E Smiths &  
A:Smiths  
papers of  
acknowledgment*

ment of a marriage held out of the Unity of Friends which they do Condemn, **Elizabeth Smith & Abigail Smith** hath each Sent a paper Condemning their being at a marriage, out of the unity of friends which this meeting taking into Consideration do Accept the Same for Satisfaction This meeting is inform:d

*E: Shearman  
Denied*

From the mens they have deny:d **Echabud Shearman** any right of membership among friends which this meeting Concurrs with

*A:Russells  
clearness*

The friends Appointed to inspect into **Abigail Russells** Clearness respecting <sup>^</sup>marriage report they find nothing to hinder, **Henry Smith & Abigail** Appeared for their

*H:Smith &*

Answer which was they might proceed to take Each other

*A:Russells* in marriage at some Convenient time between this &  
*Answer* the next monthly meeting Advising with the Overseers  
that will be appointed to see the marriage Consumated &  
conducted orderly who are **Alice Anthony & Mary Smith**  
and they to make report to next monthly meeting

*M:Potter* **Mary Smith and Phebe Smith** is Appointed to inspect  
*request for* into **Margaret Potters** ~~request~~ request for a Certificate; &  
*Certificate* if nothing appears to hinder to prepare one & bring to next  
monthly meeting

*J:Harts* We are inform:<sup>d</sup> by the men they have received **Joseph**  
*receiv:d* **Harts** Acknowledgement which this meeting Unites with  
The Choice of Visitors is refer:<sup>d</sup> to next monthly meeting

*A:Buttons* **Anne Button** attended this meeting with a Certificate from  
*Certificate* the monthly meeting at **Saratoga**, Signifying that She was  
a member of that meeting which hath been read to Satisfaction  
And this meeting hath Indorsed a few Lines thereon Signi-  
-fying the Same, which was Sign:<sup>d</sup> by the Clerk

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*11<sup>th</sup> month* At a monthly meeting of women friends held at **Dartmouth**  
*1785* the 21<sup>st</sup> of the 11<sup>th</sup> month 1785

*Represen-* The Representatives from the South Preparative meeting  
*-tives* are **Bathsheba Howland & Hannah Smith**, Those from the  
North are **Keziah Russell & Rhoda Mott** all present

*H:Smith* The friends appointed to have the oversight of **Henry Smith**  
*married* and **Abigail Russells** marriage report they attended Accordingly  
& Discovered nothing but that it was Consummated Orderly

*A:Gifford* **Anne Gifford** hath Sent in a paper Condemning her att-  
*acknowledg-* -ending the Entertainment of a marriage out of the Unity of  
*-ment* friends, which this meeting takes up with for Satisfaction

*S:Russells* Received A removal Certificate from the monthly meeting  
*Certificate* of **Philadelphia** in behalf of **Sarah Russell**, informing  
her being a member in unity with them, which this meeting  
accepts of

*A.Mershalls* Read & Sign:<sup>d</sup> in this meeting a Certificate in behalf of **An**  
*Certificate* **-ne Mershall [Marshall?]** to the monthly meeting of **Newyork [New York]** Signifying  
her having a right of membership among friends

*J:Hart Rec<sup>d</sup>* This meeting is inform:<sup>d</sup> from the mens they have receiv:<sup>d</sup>  
*B.H. Receiv.<sup>d</sup>* **Joseph Russells** Acknowledgment for Satisfaction

**Benjamin Howlands** acknowledgment is also received  
which this meeting concurs with

*request* The Friends in **Allens Neck** having requested Some meet-  
*for meetings* -ings Granted them, which on Consideration it is Concluded to  
*in Allens* grant their holding one the 3<sup>d</sup> day of next week at **Susanna**  
*Neck* **Allens &** with the concurrence of the men; We appoint **Deborah**  
**Hicks Mercy Slocum & Hannah Wood** to join the men  
friends to have the care thereof & report whether it may be  
beat to hold any more how many & time & place and report  
to next monthly meeting

*Comm<sup>tee</sup>* This meeting <sup>^</sup>appoints **Anne Edy [Eddy] & Experience Hart** to have the  
*to treat* Care of **Ruth Wordles** Acknowledgment & treat with her as

with **R.** truth may direct & make report when ready  
**Wordles** Collected at this meeting 8<sup>s</sup>/1<sup>d</sup> **L M**  
ajourn.<sup>d</sup> This meeting Ajourns to next fourth day come week

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11 month

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1785 Mett by Ajournment the 30<sup>th</sup> of the 11<sup>th</sup> month 1785  
*Mett* The Representatives call,d **Bershaba Howland** and  
*Represen* **Hannah Smith** Present  
*-tatives*  
*Called* The Overseers handed in a report of their Labour with  
*report* **Ruth Smith** Daughter of **David Smith**, for attending  
*against* meetings held out of the unity of Friends & keeping com-  
*Ruth* -pany with one not of our Society, & their Labour not  
*Smith* having the desired Effect, thought fit to Lay it before  
*Comm.<sup>tee</sup>* it under consideration do Appoint, **Elizabeth Kerby [Kirby]**  
*to treat* & **Sarah Howland** to treat further with her as truth  
*with Ruth* may open the way, and make report when they have  
*Smith* Accomplished their Service

*Account* Two of the Overseers of the poor have Exhibited  
*against* an Account to this meeting for divers Necessaries for  
*I.Mosher* the Support of **Ire Mosher** Deceas:d, The treasurer  
is order:d to Answer said Account when She is Supplied  
with Sufficiency, which Account is £1-15<sup>s</sup>-0<sup>d</sup> and report  
when s.<sup>d</sup> account is discharg.<sup>d</sup>

12 Month  
1785

*Representatives* Att a Monthly meeting of Women friends held in **Dart=**  
*Called* **=mouth** the 19 of the 12 Month 1785 the Representatives  
*Ruth* from the south preparitive meeting are **Anna Eddy** and  
*Wordels* **Phebe Smith** from the north Preparitive Meeting **Keziah**  
*acknowledg* **Russell** and **Elisabeth Tripp** all preasent the Committee  
*-ment* that had the Care of **Ruth Wordels** acknowledgment  
*Committee* Inform they are not Ready to bring there report.  
*to treat* The Committee appointed to treat with **Ruth Smith** are not  
*With Ruth* ready to make report; the treasurer informs this Meeting  
*Smith* She has disbursted nineteen Shillings to answer the account  
*Account* brought in against **Ire Mosher** deceased **Phebe Smith**  
*against* and **Elisabeth Slocum** is appointed to Inspect into the  
*Ire Mosher* Sencerity of **Elizabeth Hickes [Hicks]** request and they to make  
*Elizabeth* report when ready; **Mary Smith** and **Pheby Smith** is  
*Hix* is appointed to Compile the Answers to the Queries and  
*Request* Wright at Apistle and bring to the adjournment  
of this Meeting.

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*Anna* **Anna Button** has attended this Meeting with a few lines  
*Button* from the Monthly Meeting att **Saratoga** Signifying her  
*Attended* being a member of that meeting dated the 20 of the 10<sup>th</sup> M<sup>o</sup>

*this Meeting* 1785 Signed by the Clerk of that meeting with an Endorsment thereon Signifying the Same  
The friends that were Appointed in regard to holding  
*Request* Meetings in **Allens** and **Slocums Neck** Report they  
*for Meetings* Considered s<sup>d</sup> Matter & think there may be two meeti-  
*In Allens* =ngs Granted them <sup>in last month untill ye 3d Month next</sup> and that they be held on the first  
*& Slocums* third day of the Week in Each Month and on the first  
*Neck* day of the week next after the Monthly Meeting & the place  
of holding them to be at **Peleg Slocums** on first day & at  
**Susanna Allens** on Week days & to meet at y<sup>e</sup> Usual hour which  
This Meeting <sup>Excepts of</sup> of and in consequence thereof do Appoint  
**Marther Gifford Deborah Hicks Hannah Wood & Mercy**  
**Slocum**, to have the Over Sight of s<sup>d</sup> Meeting held in s<sup>d</sup>  
**Neck** the Ensuing Winter

*Committee to* Our friends **Marther Gifford** and **Deborah Hicks** are Apointed  
*Visitt* to joyn the Committee which are appointed by the Men to Visit  
*family* those of our members who much neglects the Attendance of our  
Religious Meeting and others that are Otherwise defective in  
Mintaining of Our Religious Principles and testimony as Way  
May Open and make report when accomplished

*Adjourn<sup>d</sup>* Collected att this Meeting 8/3 lawful Money this Meeting  
*Mett* Ajoyrns to y<sup>e</sup> 28 of this Instant 28<sup>th</sup> Mett by Ajoyrment  
the Representatives all presant Except **Elisabeth Tripp**

*Archipas* This meeting makes Choice of **Anna Eddy** Clerk for the day  
*Gifford* The Men Informs they have disowned **Archipas Gifford** any  
*Disowned* Wright of membership with us which this meeting Concurs with  
The friends that were Apointed to Compile the Answers to  
the Queries have presented them with Am Epistle Signed by the  
Clerk in this Meeting to the Quarterly Meeting & forwarded by  
Our Representatives who are **Bershabe Howland Elisabeth**  
**Sandford & Johanna Gifford**

*Sent to* Att A monthly Meeting of Woman friends held In **Dartm:**<sup>o</sup>  
*y<sup>e</sup> Quarterly* y<sup>e</sup> 16<sup>th</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> 1 M<sup>o</sup> 1786 the Representatives from the South  
*Meeting* preparitive meeting are **Hannah Wood & Susanna Allen** from  
from the North **Judith Russell** <sup>&</sup> **Rhoda Tucker** all presant

*1 Month* The Committee that had the Care of **Ruth Wordles** Acknowledg  
*1786* =ment Inform they have Visited her and find Such  
**Ruth** Satisfaction they think it may be best to receive her  
*Wordels* Acknowledgment which report this Meeting takes  
*Acknowledg* up with for Satisfaction.  
*=ment*  
*Excepted*

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*Ruth Smith* The friends Appointed to treat with **Ruth Smith**  
*denyal* report they have had an Oppertunity with her but  
She Continues to Justify her Self In her out Goings  
and under a Consideration thereof this Meeting doth  
deny s<sup>d</sup> **Ruth Smith** any write of Membership

Amongst friends  
 The Committee that had the care of **Elizabeth Hickes [Hicks]**  
 request Inform they found such satisfaction they think  
 She may be received which report this Meeting Expects  
 and do receive her a member of this Meeting  
 The Representatives appointed to Attend the Quarterly  
 Meeting inform they all attended and produced an  
 Epistle from the same likewise an Epistle from the  
 Yearly meeting in **London** both read in this Meeting  
 to Good Satisfaction Containing very Seasonable advice  
 Especially to the Youth which we hope may be Imprest  
 on Every mind  
 Received a Certificate from the monthly Meeting at  
 the **Oblong** dated y<sup>e</sup> 11 of y<sup>e</sup> 11 M<sup>o</sup> In behalf of **Anna**  
**Shepard [Shepherd]** Informing that she is a member of our Society  
 Which Is Excepted by this meeting  
 This Meeting is Inform<sup>d</sup> from the mens they have  
 receive<sup>d</sup> **Cornelius Howland** Acknowledgement for  
 Satisfaction and **Giles Smiths** Acknowledgment is  
 likewise accepted both which this meeting Concurs with  
 This meeting appoints **Mary Smith** and **Mercy Slocum** to  
 treat with **Hannah Russell** for her misconduct and if  
 they find no satisfaction to draw a publick denial and  
 bring to the next monthly meeting  
**Sarah Gifford** is desire<sup>d</sup> to Inform **Ruth Smith** of  
 her denial and make report to the next Monthly  
 Meeting  
 Att a monthly meeting of woman friends held  
 in **Dartmouth** y<sup>e</sup> 20<sup>th</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> 2 M<sup>o</sup> 1786  
 the Representatives from the South preparitive  
 Meeting are **Anna Eady [Eddy]** and **Mary Tucker** and  
 those from the North **Keziah Russell** and  
**Elizabeth Tripp** all presant Except **Keziah Russell**  
**Deborah Potter** informs this meeting She is  
 About to Remove to the **Oblong** and desires our  
 Certificate **Anna Eady [Eddy]** and **Mary Tucker** are  
 Appointed to take the Necessary care and if  
 they find nothing to hinder to prepare one and

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2<sup>d</sup> M<sup>o</sup>  
 1786  
 Bring to the Ajoynment of this Meeting  
 This meeting is Informd from the mens they have  
 Received **Perry Smith** acknowledgment for satisfaction  
 Which this meeting Concurs with  
 This Meeting is Informd from the mens they have Conclud  
 =ed to Give **James Davis A** Certificate As he hath a mind  
 To Visit **Sandwich Quarter** which this Meeting Concurs <sup>^</sup>with  
 This Meeting Ajoyrns to the first of next Month –  
 Mett by Ajoynment the first day of y<sup>e</sup> 3 Month 1786  
 The Representatives all presant, **Sarrah Gifford**  
 Informs this Meeting She has Informd **Ruth Smith** of her

*presant*  
**Ruth Smith**  
*Informd*  
**Philip Allen**  
*dison<sup>d</sup>*  
*Committees*  
*Report*  
*of Hannah*  
**Russell**

denial, this meeting is Informd from the mens they denied **Philip Allen** any right of membership among friends Which this Meeting Concurr with. ~~this meeting is Informd~~ The friends appointed to treat with **Hannah Russell** Inform they have visited her and found no satisfaction, and According to Appointment have draw'd a publick denial against her which was read and signd in this and the Mens Meeting and is to be read att the close of A first day Meeting between this and the next Monthly Meeting

*A Coppy*  
*Request*  
**Ruth Smith** requests a Coppy of her denyal and the Clerk is desir<sup>d</sup> to furnish her with one and make report to the next monthly Meeting. This Meeting being Informed from the Mens they have Excepted **George Smith** Acknowledgme<sup>nt</sup> for satisfaction which this meeting likewise concurs With Read and Signed A removel certificate for **Deborah Potter** Recommending her as A member to the **Oblong** Monthly Meeting Att A monthly Meeting of woman friends held in **Dartmouth** y<sup>e</sup> 20<sup>th</sup> of the 3 Month 1786

*3<sup>d</sup> Month*  
*1786*  
*Representa*  
*tives called*  
**Ruth Smith**  
*serv<sup>d</sup> with*  
*a Coppy*

The Representatives from the south preparitive meeting are **Deborah Gifford** and **Luce Howland** from the north **Rebecca Ricketson** and **Hannah Mosher** all preasant Except **Hannah Mosher**. **Ruth Smith** hath been served with A Coppy of her Denyal Agreeable to the Conclusion of last Monthly Meeting; **Allaphal Slead [Slade]** hath Sent A request to this Meeting desiring to be taken under the Care of friends if she may be found worthy which request is so far notised as to Apoint **Rhoda Mott Anna Eddy** and **Deborah Davis** to Inspect into the Sincerity of <sup>sd</sup> request and they to make report when ready

*Elaphal*  
*Slades requ<sup>est</sup>*

The committee that had the Oversight of the Meeting held in **Slocums Neck** report that the time being Expird of Holding them and they were held and Conducted to Prity Good Satisfaction and attended by the Committee Agreeable to appointment

*Report of*  
*Meetings*  
*In y<sup>e</sup> Neck*

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*3<sup>d</sup> mo*  
*1786*  
*Queries*  
*Answer<sup>d</sup>*  
*Collection*  
*Ajourmment*  
*Mett*  
*Represent*  
*atives*  
*Cal<sup>d</sup>*

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**Mary Smith** and **Elizabeth Slocum** is appointed to Compile the answers to the Queries and write to the Quarterly Meeting and bring to the Ajourmment of this Meeting. Collected at this time 3/4<sup>d</sup> Lawful Money This meeting adjourns to y<sup>e</sup> 29 of this Instant Mett by Ajourmment y<sup>e</sup> 29<sup>th</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> 3 Month the Representatives Called **Deborah Gifford** and **Luce Howland** preasant, One of the Overseers of the poor hath handed in an acount for Cloth bought for **Rose Russell** Which Is 5/ **Mary Tucker** and **Elizabeth Slocum** is Appointed to Compile the Answers to the Queries and write to the Quar

*Overseers Account Certificate Received Answers Compil<sup>d</sup>* ~~Quarterly Meeting~~ and Audit to Settle the treasury and Overseers Accounts for the Insuing year, Received A Certificate from **Acoakset [Acoaxet]** Monthly Meeting In behalf of **Easter Potter** Signifying her being A member of that Meeting. the friends appointed to compile the Answers to the Queries have presented them with an Epistle which was Read and sign<sup>d</sup> in this meeting and are to be forward<sup>ed</sup> to the Quarterly meeting by our Representatives who are **Patience Austin** and **Sarah Howland** and they to Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting **Joseph Wilber [Wilbor]** and **Abigail** his wife desires a Certificate for themselves and their ~~children~~ daughter **Ruth** as they are About to remove within the verge of **Acoaxet** Monthly Meeting **Deborah Hicks** and **Sarah Gifford** Is Apointed to join the men friends to prepare one and bring to the Next Monthly Meeting if they <sup>^</sup>find nothing to hin<sup>der</sup>

*4<sup>th</sup> Month 1786 Representatives Cal<sup>d</sup>* Att A monthly Meeting of woman friends held in **Dartmouth** ye 17<sup>th</sup> of ye 4<sup>th</sup> Month 1786 the Representatives Appointed to Attend the monthly Meeting from the south Preparitive Meeting are **Abigail Shepard & Elisabeth Sandford** And those from the north **Rhoda Tucker** and **Deborah Davis** all preasant the friends Apointed to Attend the Quarterly Meeting Inform they attended according to Appointment and produc<sup>d</sup> an Epistle from the Same which was read <sup>^</sup>in this Meeting to Good Satisfaction

*Return<sup>d</sup> from the Quarterly Meeting* Read and sign<sup>d</sup> a removal Certificate for **Joseph Wilbour** his wife **Abigail** and their daughter **Ruth** Recommending them as members to **Acoaxett [Acoaxet]** Monthly Meet=  
*Joseph & Abigail Wilbur Certificate Sign<sup>d</sup>* =ing Collected at this Meeting 3/3<sup>d</sup> lawful Money.

*Collection Treasurer Account* The treasurer informs this Meeting She has disbursed 8/4<sup>d</sup> to Answer the Account brought in Against **Ire Mosher**

*2 books of Disapline R.<sup>d</sup>* this Meeting hath Received two books of Discipline for ye use of the Woman and one of them Is handed to the North Preparitive meeting and the Other for the South

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*5 Month 1786 Representatives Called* Att A monthly meeting of woman friends held in **Dartmouth** ye 15<sup>th</sup> of ye 5<sup>th</sup> Month 1786 The Representatives from the South preparitive meeting Are **Sarah Howland** and **Mary Tucker** and those from the North are **Susanna Russell** and **Rachel Maxfield** all Preasant the Committee appointd to Inspect into the Sincerity of **Eliphall Slead [Slade]** Request report they have had a Solid Oppertunity with her and think her Request To be Sincere and under a Consideration thereof with the Concurance of the men this meeting Excepts s<sup>d</sup> report and do receive her into membership with friends

*Committee Report Eliphall Slade Excepted* This meeting is informd from the Mens they have denyed **Daniel Tabor [Taber]** son of **Benjamin Taber** for marrying out of The Unity of friends which this meeting Concurs with **Abigail Gidly [Gidley]** hath Sent In A paper to this meeting

*Daniel Taber Disownd*



*Abigail  
Gidly[Gidley]  
Ackn=  
=olegment* Condemning her so far departing from the principls of truth  
As to Commit the reproachful Sin of fornication which is so  
far Noticed as to Apoint **Sarah Howland Deborah Allen**  
And **Anna Eady [Eddy]** to Inspect the sincerity thereof and labour  
with her as truth may direct and make report when ready  
This meeting appoints **Hannah Wood Keziah Russell Rhoda  
Mott Rhoda Tucker** and **Elisabeth Slocum** Overseers for  
The Year Ensuing to Endeavour that good order be preserved  
And our testimony kept up and maintaind by the Several  
Members thereof. The Committee appointed in regard to  
*Overseers  
ReAppointed* Overseers report that it is their sence and judgment the  
Above Named serve as Overseers for the year Ensuing  
*Committees  
Report* The treasury informs this meeting she has discharged the  
Account brought in Against **Ire Mosher** the last payment  
*Ire Mosher  
Account  
Settled* 7/8<sup>d</sup> lawful Money  
**Hannah Russells** Denial was Read Agreeable to  
Last Monthly meeting and is as follows  
*Hannah  
Russell  
denial Read* Whereas **Hannah Russell** daughter of **Benjamin** and  
**Hannah Russell** of **Dartmouth** having been a member of our society  
Under the Care of this meeting but by Giving way to a loose  
Vain and depraved mind hath so far departed from the  
*Hannah  
Russell  
denyal* Simplicity of the truth and the testimony we bear as to fall  
into Several undue libertyes and unbecoming Conduct  
Particulaly in using of foul and Vulgar language  
and In that manner Abusing of **Jadediah Shearman &**  
Wife of which Abuse they have Complained to this Meeting &  
friends having treated with her on these Accounts and She  
not denying the Charge Nor Giving any Satisfaction of  
Amendment we do therefore hereby disown her the Said  
**Hannah Russell** from being any longer a member of this  
Meeting untill by A Return and Amendment of

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Life She may be Restored to the Unity of friends Given forth  
& signed in & by order of our <sup>^</sup>monthly meeting of men and Woman friends  
Held In **Dartmouth** the 1<sup>st</sup> Day of the 3<sup>d</sup> Month 1786 By

**Caleb Greene** Clerk  
**Mercy Slocum** Clerk

*6 Month  
1786* Att A monthly Meetings of Women friends held In **Dartmouth**  
y<sup>e</sup> 19<sup>th</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> 6<sup>th</sup> Month 1786

*Representa  
tives  
Called  
A Gidly [Gidley]  
matter  
defer<sup>d</sup>  
Overseer  
Reapoin* Representatives from the south Preparitive Meeting are  
**Deborah Gifford** and **Abigail Briggs** and those from the  
North **Keziah Russell** and **Ruth Mosher** all presant  
The Matter of **Abigail Gidly [Gidley]** is defered another Month under  
the Same friends care. this meeting reapointed **Joanna Gifford**  
Overseer for the Year Insuing to Endeavour that Good order be  
Preserved and our testimony kept up by the Several members

*ted* thereof  
*Queries* **Mary Smith** and **Phebe Smith** are Appointed to Compile the  
*Answer<sup>d</sup>* Answers to the Queries and write an Apistle to the Quarterly  
*to attend* Meeting and Bring to the adjournment of this Meeting **Mary**  
*y<sup>e</sup> Quarter* **Smith** and **Mercy Slocum** is Appointed to Attend the Quarterly  
*ly Meeting* Meeting also **Judith Russell** this Meeting adjourns to the 28<sup>th</sup>  
*Ajourn<sup>d</sup>* of this Instant. Mett by Ajournment the 28<sup>th</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> 6<sup>th</sup> Month  
*Mett*

*Represen* Representatives Called two presant **Deborah Gifford** and **[Keziah?]**  
*tatives* **Russell** the <sup>^</sup>friends Appointed to Compile the Answers have presented them  
*Cald* With an Epistle which was read and signed in this meeting and  
*Accounts* is to be forwarded up to the Quarterly Meeting by our Repre  
*prepar<sup>d</sup>* =sentatives Above Named.

*Bj Butlers* This Meeting if inform<sup>d</sup> from the Mens they have Denyed  
*Denial* **Benjamin Butler J<sup>ur</sup>** any right of membership for marrying  
*Clerk reappointed* Out of the Unity of friends which this Meeting Concurrs With  
this meeting reapoints **Mercy Slocum** Clerk for y<sup>e</sup> Year Ensuing  
Att a monthly meeting of woman friends held in **Dartmouth**  
*7 Month* y<sup>e</sup> 17 of the 7<sup>th</sup> Month 1786  
*1786*

*Representa* The Representatives from the South preparitive meeting  
*tives Called* Are **Anna Eddy** and **Mary Tucker** from the North **Elisabeth**  
*A Gidlys [Gidley]* **Shepard [Shepherd]** and **Hannah Potter** all presant the Matter of  
*deferd* **Abigail Gidly [Gidley]** is deferd Another Month under the Saime  
friends Care

*Returns from* The friends Appointed to Attend the Quarterly Meeting  
*Quarterly Meet* Inform they all attended Agreeable to Appiontment  
*=ing* Att a monthly Meeting of Women friends held in  
*8 month* **Dartmouth** y<sup>e</sup> 21 of the 8<sup>th</sup> Month 1786  
*1786*

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*8<sup>th</sup> mo* The Representatives appointed from the south prepa  
*1786* =ritive meeting are **Abigail Shepard [Shepherd]** & **[Lucea?] Howland**  
*Represen* and from the north are **Rhoda Mott** & **Judith Russell**  
*tatives* all presant  
*Called*

*Epistles* Received an Epistle from our last Quarterly Meeting  
*Received* With an Epistle from the Yearly Meeting att **Rhod**  
**=island [Rhode Island]** and one transcrip of an Epistle from  
**Philidelphia [Philadelphia]** bearing date y<sup>e</sup> 26<sup>th</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> 9<sup>th</sup> M<sup>o</sup> to the 1  
of the 10 M<sup>o</sup> 1785 that from **Westbury** on **Longisland [Long Island]**  
bareing date from the 27 of y<sup>e</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> month to the 30<sup>th</sup>  
of the same 1786 which was read in this Meeting  
To Good Satisfsaction and contained very Seasonable  
Advice which was comfortable and Edyfying to the  
Onest hearted among us,

*Committees* The Committee Appointed to have the Care of  
*Report* **Abigail Gidlys [Gidley]** Acknowledgment Report they found  
*of Abigail* so much satisfaction they think it may be received  
*Gidly* Which this meeting with the Concurance of the Mens  
Takes up satisfied with She caused It to be read  
Att the close of A first day meeting between this  
And the next Monthly Meeting & Return It to the

Clerk In Order to be Recorded.  
Collected att this Meeting 4/2<sup>d</sup> lawful Money  
*Collection* The treasury is directed to pay out 5/ to Answer  
*Treasury* **Deborah Gifford**s Account brought in Against  
*order* **Rose Russell** and Report to the Next Monthly Meeting  
*9 month* Att A monthly Meeting of Woman friends held in **Dartmo**<sup>uth</sup>  
*1786* y<sup>e</sup> 18<sup>th</sup> of the 9 Month 1786  
The friends Apointed to Attend the Monthly Meeting  
from the south preparitive are **Elizabeth Slocum** and **Joanna**  
**Gifford** and from the North **Elizabeth Tripp** and **Keziah**  
**Russell** all presant the treasury Informs she has paid  
**Deborah Gifford** 5/ to Answer the Acount brought Against  
**Rose Russell** agreable to the Conclusion of last Monthly  
Meeting the Queries and Answers have been read in this meet<sup>ing</sup>  
**Judith Russell & Mary Tucker** is Appointed to Compile the  
Answers to the Queries and write an Epistle and bring  
to the Ajourment of this meeting  
It is concluded that our next preparitive meeting be  
held the Week before the Quarterly meeting on forth  
day and next day att **Newtown**

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*9<sup>th</sup> M<sup>o</sup>*  
*1786*

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**Anna Shearman** hath presented A paper to this  
Meeting Condemning her departing so far from the principle  
of truth as to marry out of the Unity of friends which is  
so far Notised as to Apoint **Mercy Slocum & Sarah Gifford**  
And **Joanna Gifford** to Inspect her Sencerity and they to  
Make report to Next monthly Meeting  
**Sarah Howland Keziah Russell** and **Elizabeth Slocum** is  
Apointed to Attend the Quarterly Meeting  
This meeting Adjourns to the 27 of this Instant  
Mett by Ajourment y<sup>e</sup> 27 of the 9<sup>th</sup> Month 1786  
The Representatives being Called all presant  
**Abigail Gidly [Gidley]** acknowledgment hath been read Agrea  
=ble to the Conclusion of last Monthly Meeting and is as  
follows

**Dartmouth** <sup>th</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> of the 7<sup>th</sup> M<sup>o</sup> 1786

To the Preparative and Monthly Meeting of Women friends held in **Dartmou[th]**

Dear friends whereas I have so far departed from the pure principles  
of truth as to Commit the Sin of fornication which I now see and am hertily  
Sorry for and do Condemn the Same Praying Almighty God to forgive me  
& friends so far to pass it by as to let me remain under your Christian  
Care

**Abigail Gidley**

The friends Appointed to Compile the Answers to the  
Queries have presented them with an Epistle which was read  
and Signd in this Meeting and are to be forwarded up to

10<sup>th</sup> Month  
1786

the Quarterly meeting by our Representatives before Named  
and they to make report to the next Monthly Meeting  
Att A mont<sup>h</sup>ly meeting of women friends held in **Dartmouth**  
the 16<sup>th</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> Month 1786

The friends Appointed to attend the Monthly Meeting for  
the South preparitive meeting are **Silvester Howland** and  
**Mary Smith** from the North **Judith Russell** and **Hannah**  
**Mosher** all presant the friends appointed the Quarterly  
Meeting Inform they all attended agreable to Apointment  
And produced an Epistle from the same which was read  
in this meeting to Good Satisfaction and desire the advice  
therein contain<sup>d</sup> may be deeply Imprest on every Mind  
The Matter of **Anna Shearman** is deferd another Month  
under the same friends Care

This meeting makes Choice of **Mary Smith Mercy Slocum**  
And **Elizabeth Slocum** to view and Correct the Monthly  
Meeting minits in order to be recorded and make report  
to the next Monthly Meeting

This meeting reappoints **Judith Russell Sarah Howland**  
**Hannah Mosher Deborah Gifford** Overseers of the poor  
also **Anna Eady [Eddy]** for the Year Ensuing

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1786

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**John Howland** and **Anna Howland** proposed their Intenti<sup>on</sup>  
of marriage with Each Other before this meeting and they are  
desird to wait till next Monthly Meeting for their Answer  
This meeting is Informd from the mens they have denyed  
**Joseph Howland** Son of **Gideon** any right of membership  
for Marrying out of the Unity of friends which this  
Meeting Conkurs with

**Alic Anthony** and **Bersheba Howland** are Apointed  
to Inspect into **Anna Howland** Clearness respecting marri  
=age and make report to the next monthly Meeting  
We are Informd from the mens meeting they are about to  
Testify against **Humphery Lapham** for marrying out of  
Unity which this Meeting Conkurs with

11 Month  
1786

Att a monthly meeting of <sup>^</sup>woman friends <sup>^</sup>held in **Dartmouth** y<sup>e</sup> 20<sup>th</sup> of y<sup>e</sup>  
11<sup>th</sup> month 1786

The Representatives appointed to attend the Monthly meeting  
from the south preparitive meeting are **Elizabeth Slocum**  
and **Joanna Gifford** from the North **Keziah Russell &**  
**Hannah Potter Joanna Gifford & Hannah Potter** preasant  
the Friends appointed to correct the Monthly Meeting Munites  
The friends appointed to correct the Monthly Meeting, have  
not fulfilled their Appointment which is refer<sup>d</sup> Another Month  
**Ruth Hathaway** informs this meeting she is going to Remove  
to **Nine Pardners [Nine Partners]** to live with <sup>^</sup>her Children Within the Compass  
of **Creek** Monthly Meeting and desires our certificate  
**Sarah Howland & Anna Eddy** Is Apointed to take the  
Necessary Care if they find nothing to hinder to prepare  
one and bring to the Next Monthly Meeting  
The overseers inform this meeting that **Elizabeth Trafford** hath

so far transgress the rules of our discipline as to resort at  
Places where undue liberties are taken which She hath been  
labourd with for which is defered to the Next Monthly Meeting  
**Ailce Anthony** informs this meeting she hath taken Necessary  
Care to Inspect **Anna Howland** Clearness respecting  
Marriage and finds nothing to hinder

**John Howland & Anna Howland** appear<sup>d</sup> for their answe<sup>r</sup>  
Which was they may proceed to take Each Other in  
Marriage between this and the Next Monthly Meeting  
Adviseing with the friends Appointed to see the Marriage  
Solumnis<sup>d</sup> and Conducted orderly who are **Mary Smith**  
And **Mercy Slocum** and they to make report to the Next  
Monthly Meeting

*12 Month* Att a monthly meeting of woman friends held in **Dartmouth**  
*1786* the 18<sup>th</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> 12<sup>th</sup> Month 1786  
*Representatives* The frinds appointed to attend the Monthly meeting from  
*Called* the south preparitive are **Mary Smith** and **Anna Eddy**  
from the North None

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*1786*

*minuits*

*corrected*

*Committys*

*Report*

*J.A. Howlands*

*marrage*

Two of the Com<sup>m</sup>itte<sup>e</sup> appointed to v<sup>i</sup>ew and correct the  
Monthly meetings munits inform they have ~~faithfull~~  
fulfilled their appointment the friends appointed to  
have the Oversight of **John Howland** and **Anna Howlands**  
Marriage report they attended and discovered nothing but  
that it was Consumated and Conducted orderly

*A Shearman*  
*acknowledgmen<sup>t</sup>*  
*Excepted*

the Committe that had the care of **Anna Shearmans**  
acknowledgment report they have taken the Necessary Care  
and find So much Satisfaction think it may be accepted  
and after due Consideration this meeting with the Concurrence  
of the mens do except S<sup>d</sup> acknowledgment and receive her  
into membership with friends

*the Q answers*

The Queries and answers have been read in this meeting  
in order to be Sent up to the Quarterly meeting; it is Concluded  
by the men to Grant the request of **Bedford** friends holding  
two meetings a day all the Year except the twelvth First  
& Second months and holding a midweek meeting that week  
the Monthly meeting is which this meeting Concurs with

*B Friends*  
*Request*

*Representives*  
*Appointed*

**Mary Smith & Elizabeth Slocum** are appointed to attend  
the Quarterly meeting and report to the next Monthly  
Meeting

**Anna Eddy** and **Joanna Gifford** are appointed to join the  
Committee of mens friends in regard to holding meetings

*Committee* in **Allens Neck** and report to the adjournment of this Meeting

*ajornment* This meeting adjourns to next fourth Day Come Week

*Mett* Mett by adjournment y<sup>e</sup> 26<sup>th</sup> of the <sup>^</sup>12<sup>th</sup> M<sup>o</sup> 1786  
representatives, both present: The friends that had the

*R.P. Call<sup>d</sup>*  
*R.Hathaway*  
*Certificate* care of **Ruth Hathaways** certificate hath presented one to this meeting Which was read Signd and directed to the **Creek** M<sup>o</sup> meeting

*Sent to*  
*Quar<sup>t</sup> meeting* The Queries and answers hath been read and approv<sup>d</sup> and Sent up to the Quarterly meeting by our Representatives before named Signd an Episcle Which was also Sent

*A Russell*  
*& R.Lapham*  
*Disown<sup>d</sup>* We are informed from the mens meeting they are about to disown **Abraham Russell** and **Richard Lapham** which this meeting concurs with

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*12*  
*M<sup>e</sup>*  
*1786*  
*Request*  
*of friends*  
*in Slocums*  
*Neck* The friends appointed to Consider the request of the Friends in **Slocums & Allens Neck** report that they think it may be Safe to grant S<sup>d</sup> request Which being considred is granted accordingly and we appoint **Martha Gifford Anna Eddy Sarah Howland Deborah Allen** and **Elizabeth Slocum** to have the oversight of S<sup>d</sup> meetings which are to be held every first day of the Week except that preceeding the monthly meeting and each third day except in the week their may be a meeting for descipline from this time untill the Monthly meeting in the Fourth Month next and S<sup>d</sup> meetings to begin at the 11 hour To be thus continued at the house of **Susanna Allens** unless the S<sup>d</sup> committee Shall think it best to have it Discontinued or the place of holding it to be altered in Such case they to report to this meeting as also to report When the time of holding the meeting is Expired

*E.Traford*  
*Referd* the matter Conserving **Elizabeth Traford [Trafford]** is deferd to the next M<sup>o</sup> meeting  
**Mary Smith** Clark for this Day

*1 M<sup>e</sup>*  
*1787*  
*R P Called*  
*Returns*  
*from the*  
*Q Meeting* Att a monthly meeting of woman friends held in **Dartmouth** y<sup>e</sup> 15<sup>th</sup> of the 1 M<sup>o</sup> 1787  
The friends appointed to attend the M<sup>o</sup> Meeting are **Joanna Gifford** and **Mary Tucker** from the north **Elisabet<sup>h</sup>** **Tripp** and **Judith Russell** all presant Except **Joanna Gifford** being unwell could not attend  
**Mary Smith** informs this meeting she attend<sup>d</sup> the Quarterly Meeting agreeable to appointment Received an Extract from the Quarterly meeting munits signifying the reason of their Not wrighting to this Meeting as Usual friends not finding Any thing to Communicate at that time  
The Matter of **Elizabeth Trafford** coming before this

*Committee to treat with E. Trafford* Meeting for Consideration which being Considered do Appoint **Sarah Howland Sarah Gifford and Deborah Davis** to treat with her as truth may direct and make Report When Ready

*W. Bowdish disown<sup>d</sup> Collection A. Gifford Acknowledg* This meeting being Informd from the Mens they are about to testify against **William Bowdish** which this Meeting Concurs with Collected att this Meeting / 10<sup>d</sup> 1/2 This Meeting ~~being~~ thinks best to receive **Anna Giffords** Acknowledgment for Satisfaction

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*2 M<sup>o</sup> 1787* Att a monthly meeting of woman friends held In **Dartmouth** y<sup>e</sup> 19<sup>th</sup> day of y<sup>e</sup> 2<sup>d</sup> M<sup>o</sup> 1787

*Representatives Call<sup>d</sup>* The friends appointed to attend the Monthly Meeting from the south **Elizabeth Slocum** and **Elizabeth Kirby** from the north **Rhoda Tucker** and **Rachel Maxfield**

*Elisabeth Tripp Informd* all present **Elizabeth Tripp** Informs this Meeting she Could not attend the last M<sup>o</sup> Meeting agreable to Apointme<sup>nt</sup> by reason of indisposition

*E Trafford Refer<sup>d</sup>* The Matter of **Elizabeth Trafford** is defer<sup>d</sup> another M<sup>o</sup> under the same friends Care

*London Epistle* Received an Epistle from the Yearly Meeting of friends held in **London** dated y<sup>e</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> of the 6 M<sup>o</sup> 1786 which Was read In this Meeting Containing very seasonable advice Which Was Well Excepted

*R Macombers Acknowledg ment* **Rachel Macomber** hath presented a paper to this Meeting Signifying her so far departing from the principles as to marry Out of the Unity of Friends and likewise for having A Child Sooner after marriage then was Consistant with our profession which is so far Notised as to Appoint A Committee who are **Deborah Allen & Susanna Allen** and they to treat with her As truth may direct and make report when Ready

*A Shepherd Disorder* This Meeting Is Inform<sup>d</sup> that **Anna Shepard [Shepherd]** daughter of **David Shepard [Shepherd]** being att the **Oblong** on a visit has Marri<sup>d</sup> Out of the unity of friends **Susanna Russell** and **Patience**

*Committee Apointed* **Austin** is Apointed to take the necessary Care <sup>^</sup>with her to Inspect S<sup>d</sup> Matter & write to that meeting <sup>^</sup>to treat and Inform this Meeting of their proceeding with her and they to draught a paper and bring to the next M<sup>o</sup> Meeting in order to be sign<sup>d</sup>

*Committees Report* We of Your Committee appointed some time past to visit such as neglect the due attendance of our religious Meetings and for Other deficiencies have proceeded from time to time as way Open<sup>d</sup> and labour<sup>d</sup> as Strength & Ability was Given which was to our satisfaction and finding our selfs Clear make this Report and remain Your friends

**James Davis**  
**Marther Gifford**

- 3 M<sup>o</sup> 1787 Att a monthly Meeting of woman friends held in **Darmo<sup>uth</sup> [Dartmouth]**  
y<sup>e</sup> 19 of the 3<sup>d</sup> M<sup>o</sup> 1787
- Representatives Called* The friends appointed to attend the Monthly Meeting from the South preparitive are **Elizabeth Slocum** and <sup>^</sup>Joanna Gifford from the North **Judith Russell** and **Elizabeth Tripp**
- Sign<sup>d</sup> A few lines for A Shepard* all present the friends Apointed to Inspect the matter of **Anna Shepard [Shepherd]** preform<sup>d</sup> their appointment and produce<sup>d</sup> A few lines which was read and signed in this Meeting and Is to be forwarded to the **Oblong** desireing their answer When Efected
- Queries Answer<sup>d</sup>* The Queries and Answers have been read in this Meeting **Susanna Russell** and **Judith Russell** are appointed to Compile the answers to the Queries and write an Epistle and bring to the adjournment of this Meeting
- Ajoyrn<sup>d</sup> Mett* This meeting adjourns to the 28 of this Instant Meett by adjournment the 28<sup>th</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> 3 M<sup>o</sup> 1787
- Representatives Cal<sup>d</sup> Answers Compil<sup>d</sup> & Sent to the Qu Meeting ET & RM, Continued* Representatives called all present the friends appointed to Compile the Answers have presented them with an Epistle Which was read and Considered and sent up to the Qua<sup>r</sup>terly Meeting by our Representatives who are **Judith Russell** **Mercy Slocum** and **Rhoda Tucker** they to make Report to the next Monthly meeting
- 4<sup>th</sup> M<sup>o</sup> 1787* The matters of **Elizabeth Trafford** and **Rachel Macomber** is continued another M<sup>o</sup> under the same friends Care
- Representatives Called* Att a mont<sup>hly</sup> Meeting of Woman friends held in **Dartmouth** The 16<sup>th</sup> of the 4<sup>th</sup> Month 1787
- Clerk absent* The representatives from the south preparitive meeting age **Deborah Gifford** and **Susanna Allen** and from the North Are **Keziah Russell** and **Rhoda Mott** all present
- Return from the Q Meeting* Our Clerk being absent on acount of sickness therefore this Meeting appoints **Elizabeth Slocum** Clerk for the day **Judith Russell** informs she attended the Quarterly Meet =ing according to appointment **Mercy Slocum** & **Rhod Tucker**
- Epistle Re<sup>d</sup>* Informs they did not attend by reason of Indisposion Received an Epistle from our last Quarterly Meeting Which Was read in this Meeting to Good satisfaction
- E.Traford defer<sup>d</sup> J.Shepard Certi Signed* The Matter respecting **Elizabeth Trafford** is still Continued Another Month under the Care of the former Committee Signed a Certificate in behalf of **John Shephard [Shepherd]** Ju<sup>f</sup> Directed to the Monthly Meeting of **Vaselbory Kenebeck [Vasselborough Kennebec]**
- L.Huddles tone Certificate Requested* **Lidia Huddlestone** informs this Meeting she is about to Remove with her family and desires our Certificate and **Hannah Mosher** and **Elizabeth Trip [Tripp]** are appointed to Take the necessary care and if they find nothing to hinder to prepare one and bring to M<sup>o</sup> Meeting



5<sup>th</sup> M<sup>o</sup>  
1787

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Att Amonthly Meeting of women friends held in  
**Dartmouth** y<sup>e</sup> 20<sup>th</sup> [?] of the 5<sup>th</sup> M<sup>o</sup> 1787

*Representa<sup>ves</sup>  
Called*

The friends Apointed to Attend the M<sup>o</sup> meeting from  
the south preparitive Meeting **Almy Barker & Hannah  
Wood** and from the North **Elizabeth Shepard [Shepherd]** and **Eliza  
=beth Tripp** all preasant **Elizabeth Trafford** hath brought

*E Traffords  
paper  
Excepted*

A paper to this meeting Condemning her departing so far  
from the principle of truth that She profest as to fre  
quent places of worldly Diversion and keep Company  
with one not of our society which Acknowledgment this  
Meeting Excepts of

*J.Mosher  
A Ccopy of  
Minite*

**Joanna Mosher** hath presented this meeting with a ccopy of  
A minite from the M<sup>o</sup> Meeting at the **Nine pardners [Nine Partners]** Sig=  
=nifying their Unity with her visit dated y<sup>e</sup> 18<sup>th</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> M<sup>o</sup> 1787  
Signed by the Clerk

*Settled with  
Treasurer*

The Committee appointed to settle with the treasurer report  
they have settled with the treasurer their Remains in  
Stock three Shillings one penny half penny

*R.Macomber  
Received*

**Rachel Macomber** hath sent a paper to this Meeting Con=  
demning her so far departing from the principles of truth  
as to be Guilty of reproachful Sin of fornication  
and Marrying out of the Unity of friends which this  
Meeting Excepts of She Causing it to be read at the  
Close of A first day meeting between this and the Next  
Monthly Meeting and return<sup>d</sup> to the Clerk to be Recorded

*Elders  
Nominated*

This Meeting is Inform<sup>d</sup> from the mens that the Select  
Meeting hath Nominated **Benjamin Taber** and **Deb<sup>o</sup>rah  
Davis** for Elders which being laid before the mens meeting  
for their Consideration no Objection appearing to the friends

*Committee  
Apointed*

Named we Apoint **Marther Chace Deborah Allen Rhoda  
Tucker** and **Hannah Wood** to joyne those friends the men  
May appoint to take a solid oppertunity with said friends  
In order to discover their Quallifications for that  
Weighty Service and report the same to next M<sup>o</sup> Meeting

*Ajourment  
Mett*

This Meeting adjourns to Next forth day Come Week  
Mett by Ajoyrnment y<sup>e</sup> 30<sup>th</sup> of the 5<sup>th</sup> M<sup>o</sup> 1787

*Representa  
Called  
Report of  
meeting in  
Neck*

The Representatives Called all presant Except **Elizabeth  
Shepard [Shepherd]** the friends appointed to have the Oversight of the  
Meetings held In **Slocums** and **Allens Neck** last winter  
report they were kept up to pretty Good Satisfaction  
Read and sign<sup>d</sup> aremoval Certificate for **Seth Huddleston**

*S.Huddle  
stone &  
Wifes  
Certificate*

his wife **Lydia** and their Children whose Names are **Sarah  
Lavina Jonathan Mary Elizabeth & Hannah Huddleston**  
Recommending them as Members to the M<sup>o</sup> Meeting of  
**New Garden [Newgarden]** in **North Carolina**

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*Rube & C*

This Meeting Is Informed that **Rube Smith** Is Gone to the

*Smith A  
Copp of y<sup>e</sup>  
Minite*

**Nine Pardners [Nine Partners]** to Spend the Sum<sup>m</sup>er and desires afew lines from this Meeting her having a membership among friends also **Elisabeth Smith** both Daughters of **John Smith** hath been Gone Some time She Is a member of our Society and as Such we do recommend them to Your Christian Care the Clerk is directed to furnish them with A Copp of this Minite

*6 M<sup>e</sup>  
1787*

Att a monthly Meeting of woman friends held in **Dartmou**  
**=th** the 18<sup>th</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> 6 Month 1787

*Representatives  
Call<sup>d</sup>*

The friends Appointed to attend the M<sup>o</sup> Meeting from the South preparitive are **Deborah Allen Bershaba Howland** And **Abigail Briggs** from the North **Rhoda Tucker** and **Kezia Russell** all preasant **Rachel Macomers** acknowledgment hath been read agreeable to the Conclusion of the last Monthly Meeting

*R.Macomers  
Acknowledg  
ment read*

**Elizabeth Shepard [Shepherd]** informs this meeting she did not attend the adjournment by reason of Indisposition

*P Howland  
Received*

This meeting is Inform<sup>d</sup> by the mens they have received **Peleg Howland** into membership with friends which this this meeting Conkurs with

*Committee  
Report on  
the Account  
of Elders*

The Committee appointed to have a confurance with **Benjamin Taber** and **Deborah Davis** on the proposal for their being chosen Elders made report in Writing signify ing they fulfild their Apointment and that Excepting of them above Named friends to the place of Elders as to Satisfaction therefore in Concurance with the Mens meeting they are Apointed to that Station accordingly provided the Quarterly meeting on Notice thereof given Shall approv<sup>e</sup> of the same

*Answers  
Compil<sup>d</sup>*

**Mary Tucker** and **Rhoda Tucker** are appointed to Compile the Answers ~~have presented there with an Epistle which were read~~ to the Queries and write to the Quarterly Meeting and bring to the Ajournment of this Meeting this Meeting Ajourns to the 27<sup>th</sup> of this Instant

*Ajournment  
Mett*

Mett by Ajournment the 27<sup>th</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> 6 M<sup>e</sup> 1787

*Representa  
tives Call<sup>d</sup>*

Representatives being Called all preasant Except **Deborah Allen** the friends appointed to Compile the Answers have Presented them with An Epistle which was read In this Meeting and forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting by our Representatives who are **Rhoda Tucker Elizabeth Tripp** And **Elizabeth Sandford** and they to make report to the Next Monthly Meeting

*Sent to  
Quarterly  
Meeting*

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*7 M<sup>e</sup>  
1787*

Att A monthly Meeting of women friends held  
In **dartmouth** ye 16<sup>th</sup> of ye 7 M<sup>e</sup> 1787

*Representatives Called* The friends Appointed to attend the Monthly Meeting from the south preparitive Meeting are **anna Eddy** and **Abigail Shepard [Shepherd]** from the North **Judith Russell** and **Ruth Tucker** being Called all preasant

*Returns from Quarterly meeting* The friends Appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting Inform they all attended according to Appointment and produced two Epistles one from the Yearly Meeting of **Philidelphia [Philadelphia]** dated ye 25<sup>th</sup> of the 3<sup>d</sup> M<sup>o</sup> to the 30 of the same 1786

*Epistles* One from the Yearly Meeting att **Wesbury [Westbury]** on **Long Island** Dated ye 25<sup>th</sup> of the 5<sup>th</sup> M<sup>o</sup> 1787 which was read in this Meeting to Satisfaction

*Else Wings Certificate* Received a certificate from the M<sup>o</sup> meeting at **Sandwich** In behalf of **ailce Wing** dated ye 5<sup>th</sup> of ye 6<sup>th</sup> M<sup>o</sup> 1787 Informing her having a right of membership amongst friends which this meeting accepts of

*Clerk Reappointed* **Mercy Slocum** is reappointed Clerk for the Year Ensu<sup>ing</sup>

*Ruth lapham Disownd* The Overseers Informs this meeting that **Ruth lapham** wife of **humphery lapham** hath married out of the Order of friends after much labour hath been bestowd She Not not [*sic*] being In a disposition to make Satisfaction This Meeting with the Concurrence of the Mens think best To deny her Any right of Membership Among friends

*J Rogers D Smith B Taber R Akins Proposals of Marriage* **Deborah Hix** Is Appointed to Inform **Ruth lapham** of her denial and Report to Next Monthly Meeting

**James Rogers** and **deborah Smith & Benjamin Taber Jr** <sup>& Roba Akins [Akin]</sup> Proposed their Intentions of marriage with Each Other before this Meeting and are desired to wait till Next M<sup>o</sup> Meeting for their Answer **Anna Eddy & Mercy Slocum** Is appointed <sup>^to Inspect</sup> Into **Deborah Smiths** clearness respecting Marriage and Conversation **Judith Russell & Kezia Russell** Is Appointed to <sup>^Inspect into Rhoba Akin Clearness</sup> Respecting marriage and Conversation and make report to the Next M<sup>o</sup> Meeting

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*8 M<sup>o</sup> 1787* At a monthly meeting of woman friends hold in **Dartmouth**, 20<sup>th</sup> of the 8 mo 1787, the friends appointed to attend the monthly meetings from the South Preparitive meeting are **joanna Gifford & Elizabeth Slocum** and those from the North are **Elizabeth Tripp** and **Judah Russell** all present.

*Representatives Called* **Deborah Hicks** informs she hath informed **Ruth Lapham** of her denial.

*Committees Report* the friends appointed to inspect into **Deborah Smiths** Clearness respecting marriage; and Conversation and **Rhoba Akins** they inform they have made inquiry and find nothing to hinder their proceedings this meeting reappoints **Rhoda Tucker Joanna Gifford Hannah Wood Rhoda Mott Kezia Russell Elizabeth Tripp** added overseers for the year en

*Overseers Reappointed* suing to endeavour that good order be preserved and our testimony kept up in the several branches thereof

The overseers have handed in a report of their labours with **Phebe**

Overseers  
Complaint  
of **P Russell**

**Russell** daughter of **Elijah Russell** for being guilty of the sin of fornication as appears by her having an illegitimate child they not meeting with the desired Satisfaction thought fit to lay it before the meeting and this meeting having considered the matter do appoint **Anna Eddy Phebe smith** to treat with her as truth may direct and if they find no satisfaction to draw a Publick denial and bring to the next m<sup>o</sup> meeting

**J Rogers**  
**D Smith**  
**R Taber Ju<sup>r</sup>**  
**R Akins**

**James Rogers** and **Deborah Smith**, **Benjamin Taber** [**Taber**] and **Rhoda Akins** [**Akin**] appeared for their answer which was that [*illegible*] each couple may proceed to take each other in marriage at Some Convenient time between this and the next mo meeting advising with the overseers who were **Phebe smith** and **Mercy Slocum** to see

Answers

**James Rogers** and **Deborah Smiths** **Judith Russell** **Kezia Russell** to see **Benjamin Taber** and **Roba Akins** marriage Solomnizd

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Treasurer  
Appointed

and Conducted orderly and they to make report to the next m<sup>o</sup> Meeting - this meeting appoint **Anna Eddy** Treasurer for the year Ensuing and to receive what money there is now in stock which is 3<sup>s</sup>-12

9 m<sup>o</sup>  
1787

Att a Monthly Meeting of women friends held in **Dartmouth** y<sup>e</sup> 17 of y<sup>e</sup> 9 M<sup>o</sup>

Represent[ta]tives  
Called

the friends appointed to attend the m<sup>o</sup> meeting from the South Preparitive meeting are **Deborah Gifford** and **Lucia Howland** and those from the North are **Kezia Russell** and **Rhoda**

Committys  
Report

**Mott** all preasent; — — — ———  
the friends appointed to have the Oversight of **James Rogers** and **Deborah Smiths**, **Benjamin Taber** and **Robe Akins** Marriages report they all

**James Rog<sup>ers</sup>**  
**Benj<sup>a</sup> Taber Ju<sup>r</sup>**  
marriage

Attended and discovered nothing but that they were solomnized and Conducted Orderly,

**Rebecka Howlands**  
Acknowledg<sup>m</sup>

**Susanna Allen** and **Sarah Gifford** are appointed to inspect the Sincerity of **Rebecka Howlands**

Inspected

acknowledgment and report when ready,

**Phebe Russell**

the Committee appointed to treat with **Phebe Russell** report they have trated [treated] with her and not finding

Denial

Satisfaction agreable to the conclusion of Last M<sup>o</sup> meeting have drawn a Publick denial against her the S<sup>d</sup> **Phebe Russell** which was read in this meeting and Signd by the Clark of Both meetings and is to be Read att the Close of a Publick Meeting Between this and the Next M<sup>o</sup> Meeting — — —

And is as Followeth ~~~~~

Whereas **Phebe Russell** daughter of **Elijah Russell** being a Member by birth right with us the people Call<sup>d</sup> Quakers but through unwatchfullness and Disregarding the Testemony of truth hath so far departed from our Profession as to fall into the reprocfull sin of Fornication

Which appears by her having an Illigatimate Child & Friends having treated with her on that account in order to bring her to a site [sight] of her Departure from the ways of truth but our Labour therin not fully obtaining the Desired Ends to the Satisfaction of this Meeting We Do therefore give this Forth as a Testamony against her

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*9<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup>  
1787* The S<sup>d</sup> **Phebe Russell** and do hereby disown her from being a Member of Our Religious Sosity untill by repentance Manifested by an amendment of Life She Shall Be restored To the Way of Truth — — — — —  
Given Forth by our Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** y<sup>e</sup> 17 of y<sup>e</sup> 9 M<sup>o</sup> 1787 And Signd by **Caleb Green** Clark  
**Mercy Slocum** Clark

*Sent to  
Quarterly  
meeting* The Queries and Answers have been read and Considred in This Meeting **Judith Russell** and **Deborah Davis** are appointed to Compile the answers prepare the Accounts and bring to the adjournment of this meeting; — — — — —  
**Mary Tucker** and **Kezia Russell** is appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting; — — — — —

*Peleg Howland  
Proposal  
of marriage* **Peleg Howland** and **Mary Tucker** <sup>Jur</sup> proposed their intenti on of marriage with each other before this meeting and are desired to waite till next m<sup>o</sup> meeting for their Answer; — — — — —  
**Anna Eddy** and **Ailic [Alice] Gifford** are appointed to inspect **Mary Tuckers** clearness respecting marriage and Conver sation and report to the next m<sup>o</sup> meeting — — — — —

*adjourn  
Mett* This meeting adjourns to y<sup>e</sup> 26 of this Instant. — — —  
Mett by adjournment y<sup>e</sup> 26 of y<sup>e</sup> 9 m<sup>o</sup> 1787

The Representatives called all preasant except **Lucia How land**; the fr<sup>i</sup>ends appointed to Compile the Answers have Presented them with the accounts which was read approved and Signd in this meeting and are to be forwarded up to our Quarterly meeting by our Representatives before Named and they to report to the next m<sup>o</sup> meeting; — —

*Deborah  
Allens  
Request* **Deborah Allen** informs this meeting She is about to take a journey to **Saretogue [Saratoga]** to visit her friends and Relati ons and desires our Concurrence and this meeting taking it under Consideration do approve thereof She being a member in Unity, the Clerk is directed to give her a Cobby of this Munite, — — — — —

*Eliza  
Shearman  
request* **Elizabeth Shearman [Sherman]** requests a few lines from this meeting to the m<sup>o</sup> meeting att **Saratogue [Saratoga]** and **East Hoosuck** as She is a going to make a visit to her friends there **Sarah Gifford** and **Elizabeth Slocum** are appointed to take the necessary care and if they find nothing to hinder to prepare a few lines and bring to the next m<sup>o</sup> meeting; — — — — —

10 mo  
1787

Att a Monthly Meeting of women friends held  
In **Dartmouth** y<sup>e</sup> 15 of y<sup>e</sup> 10 m<sup>o</sup> 1787 — — — —

Representatives  
called

The friends appointed to attend the m<sup>o</sup> meeting from the  
South Preparative meeting are **Susanna Allen** and **Anna  
Eddy** and those from the North are **Judith Russell** and  
**Eliphah Slead [Slade]** all present; — — — — —

return  
from Q  
meeting

The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting  
Inform they attended agreeable to appointment —  
and Produced an Epistle from the Same which was  
read in this meeting to good Satisfaction; — — — —  
the friends appointed to inspect **Mary Tuckers** <sup>Jur</sup> Clearness  
Respecting Marriage and Conversation report they find  
nothing to hinder their proceedings; — — — — —

C Williams  
Certificate

This Meeting is informed that **Catharine Williams**  
Daughter of **John Williams** is gone to live within the  
verge of **Rhoadisland [Rhode Island]** mo meeting. **Mary Smith** and **Anna  
Eddy** are appointed to make inquirey into Sd Matter  
and if needed to prepare a few lines and bring to  
the next m<sup>o</sup> meeting

D Rogers  
Certificate

**Deborah Rogers** informs this Meeting she is going to  
Remove within the verge of **Pembrook [Pembroke]** m<sup>o</sup> meeting  
and desires a few lines by way of Certificate. — —  
**Anna Eddy** and **Alice Gifford** are appointed to take  
the Necessary care and if they find nothing to hinder  
to prepare one and bring to the next mo meeting; — —

P Howland  
answer

**Peleg Howland** and **Mary Tucker** appeared for their  
Answer which was they may proceed to take each  
other in marriage between this and the next m<sup>o</sup> meeting  
advising with the Overseers appointed to See the marriag  
Solomnized and Conducted orderly and report to the next  
monthly meeting; who are **Hannah Wood** and **Mercy Slocum**

Elihu  
Moshers  
intentions

**Elihue Mosher** and **Ruth Bowdish [Bowditch]** proposed their  
Intentions of marriage with each other before this meet  
ing and are desired to wait till next m<sup>o</sup> meeting for  
their Answer; - - - - -

**Elizabeth Tripp** and **Rhoda Tucker** are appointed to  
inspect **Ruth Bowdish [Bowditch]** clearness respecting marriage  
and conversation and report to the next m<sup>o</sup> meeting

11 m<sup>o</sup>  
1787

Att a Monthly Meeting of women friends held  
in **Dartmouth** y<sup>e</sup> 19 of y<sup>e</sup> 11 m<sup>o</sup> 1787  
the friends appointed to attend the monthly meeting  
from the South Preparative meeting are **Mary Tucker**  
and **Hannah** <sup>^Wood</sup> and from the North **Rhoda Tucker** and  
**Elizabeth Sheppard [Shepherd]** all preasant; — — — —

Represen  
tatives

11<sup>th</sup> M<sup>o</sup>  
1787

the Clerk being absent **Deborah Davis** is appointed Clerk

for the day - - - - -

*R Howland  
acknowledg  
ment* The Committee that had the care of **Rebecca Howlands**  
acknowledgment brought a Satisfactory report and her paper  
is accepted; — — — — —

*C Williams  
Certificate* the friends appointed to draw a Certificate for **Catharine  
Williams** have presented one which was read approved and  
Signd in this meeting; — — — — —

*Rebecca  
Howland  
acknowled  
gment* **Rebecca Howland Howland** hath sent a paper to this meet  
ing Condemning her keeping Company and marrying out  
of the unity of friends which paper this meeting accepts  
of and receives her into membership again; — — — — —

*D Rogers  
Certificate* a Removel Certificate for **Deborah Rogers** hath been read  
approved and Signd in this meeting and directed to the m<sub>o</sub> \_\_\_\_\_  
meeting att **Pembrook [Pembroke]**; — — — — —

*P Howland  
married* the friends that had the Oversight of **Peleg Howland**  
and **Mary Tuckers** marriage inform they attended and dont  
find but that it was Conducted Orderly;

*R Bowdish  
clearness* the friends appointed to inspect **Ruth Bowdishes [Bowditch]** Clearness  
respecting marriage and Conversation. report they find  
nothing to hinder their proceeding; — — — — —

*E Mosher  
married* **Elihue Mosher** and **Ruth Bowdish [Bowditch]** appeared for their answer  
which was they may proceed in marriage between this  
and the next m<sub>o</sub> meeting advising with the overseers  
who are **Elizabeth Tripp** and **Rhoda Tucker**; — — — — —

*S Bunker  
Certificate* This meeting is informed that **Shubal Bunker** desires a  
Certificate for himself his wife and child recommending  
them to the m<sub>o</sub> meeting of **Philadelphia**, — — — — —  
**Judith Russell** and **Keza Russell** are appointed to prepare  
one and bring to the next m<sub>o</sub> meeting if they find nothing  
to hinder, — — — — —

*G Smith  
C Smith  
intentions* **Giles Smith** and **Ruth Howland Collins Smith** and **Hannah  
Tucker** declared their Intentions of marriage with each other  
before this meeting and are desired to wait till next  
m<sub>o</sub> meeting for their Answer; — — — — —  
**Alice Anthony** and **Mary Tucker** are appointed to insp  
ect their Clearness respecting marriage & report to the

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1787  
H Hathaway  
L Chase  
Intentions  
of marriage* the next m<sub>o</sub> meeting  
**Humphry Hathaway** and **Abigal Smith** declared their  
Intention of marriage and **Lemuel Chase** and **Elizabeth  
Potter** declared their Intention of marriage with  
each other before this meeting and are desired to wait  
till next m<sub>o</sub> meeting for their answer, — — — — —  
**Rhoda Mott** and **Mary Smith** are appointed to inspect  
their clearness respecting marriage and report to the  
next monthly meeting; — — — — —

12 mo  
1787

Att a Monthly Meeting of women friends held in  
**Dartmouth** y<sup>e</sup> 17 of y<sup>e</sup> 12 mo 1787

Represen  
tatives

the friends appointed to attend the monthly meeting from  
the South Preparative Meeting are **Deborah Allen** and  
**Elizabeth Sanford** and from the North **Deborah Davis**  
and **Rhoda Mott** all present, — — — — — — — —

Elihue  
Moshers  
marriage

the friends appointed to have the oversight of **Elihue Mosher**  
and **Ruth Bowdishs [Bowditchs]** marriage report they attended and  
discovered nothing but that it was conducted orderly

F Riders  
Certificate  
received

Received a Certificate from the monthly meeting att **Rhod [Rhode]**  
**Island** in behalf of **Freebon Rider** daughter of **Benjamin**  
**Rider** — which is accepted; — — — — — — — —

G Smith  
C Smith  
answer

the friends appointed to inspect **Hannah Tucker Ruth**  
**Howland Elizabeth Potter** and **Abigal Smiths** Clearness  
Respecting marriage <sup>and</sup> report they have taken the Necessary  
Care and find nothing to hinder their proceeding; — —

H Hatha=  
way  
Lemuel  
Chase  
answer

**Giles Smith** and **Ruth Howland Collins Smith** and **Hannah**  
**Tucker** appeared for their Answer which was they may  
proceed to take each other in marriage between this and  
the next mo meeting advising with the overseers who are  
**Mary Smith** and **Peace Shearman [Sherman]** are appointed to have the  
Oversight of **Giles Smith** and **Ruth Howlands** marriage  
**Anna Eddy** and **Ruth Mosher** are appointed to have the over  
Sight of **Collins Smith** and **Hannah Tuckers** marriage and  
report to the next mo meeting; — — — — — — — —

**Humphry Hathaway** and **Abigal Smith Lemuel Chase**  
and **Elizabeth Potter** appeared for their answer which  
was they might proceed to take each other in marriage  
between this and the next mo meeting advising  
with the overseers who are **Ailce Anthony** and **Mercy**  
**Slocum** to have the oversight of **Humphry Hathaway** [*illegible*]  
marriage ~~Anna Eddy~~ <sup>Rhoda Mott</sup> and ~~Ruth Mosher~~ <sup>Rhoda Tucker</sup> are appointed to  
have the oversight of **Lemuel Chase** and **Elizabeth Potters**  
marriage to See that they are Solomnized and Conducted  
orderly and report to the next mo meeting;

12 m<sup>e</sup>  
1787  
answers  
Compiled

**Deborah Davis** and **Patience Austin** are appointed to Compile  
the Answers prepare the accounts and bring to the adjournment  
of this meeting; — — — — — — — —

request of  
meetings  
Allens  
Neck

the friends in **Allens Neck** request to hold Meetings in  
the four Succeeding months at the following houses viz—  
**Susanna Allens Timothy Giffords Elihue Slocums** and **Samuel**  
**Giffords** one month at each place on each first day and  
fifth day of the week except in the week in which their  
may be meetings for Dicepline; which Request being  
Considred and with the Concurrence of the mens meeting  
is So far granted as to be under the care of a Committee  
who may if they See it Necessary and best to have

Committee  
to have

them Continued if not to report accordingly; — — — —  
we therefore appoint **Martha Gifford Martha Chase Mercy**



*oversight* **Slocum Elizabeth Slocum** and **Deborah Allen** to join <sup>Committee</sup> of men friends; — Some of whome are desired to attend each Meeting and jointly report to the expiration of S<sup>d</sup> meeting; — — — — — — — — — —

*S Bunker Certificate* Read and Signd a removel Certificate for **Shubal Bunk<sup>er</sup>** his wife **Lydia** and their Child **James** Recommending them as members to the m<sup>o</sup> meeting att **Philidelp<sup>h</sup>ia [Philadelphia]**; — — — — —

*Adjourns Mett* This meeting adjourns to the 26 of this Instant Mett the 26 of the 12 month 1787

*Representatives* Representatives being called **Elizabeth Sanford** and **Rhoda Mott** preasent **Deborah Davis** Sent a Satisfactory excuse for not attending this Meeting; — — — — — — — — — —

*Sent to Quarterly Meeting* the friends appointed to prepare the Accounts have presented them and are forwarded up to our Quarterly Meeting by our Representatives who are **Sarah Howland Elizabeth Kerby [Kirby]** and **Patience Austin** and they to report to the next Monthly Meeting, — — — — — — — — — —

*E Slead request for Children* **Eliphal Slead [Slade]** requests that <sup>her</sup> Children whose names are **Edward Samuel Caleb Zepheniah Shearman** and **Mary** may be taken under the care of friends, — — — — — — — — — —

*Committee appointed* This meeting appoints **Rhoda Tucker Rhoda Mott** and **Mary Tucker** a Committee to join the men friends to Visit the family and report as they find whether it may be best to except S<sup>d</sup> request and report when ready; — — — — —

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*1 Month 1788* Att a Monthly Meeting of women friends held in **Dartmouth** the 21 of the 1 month 1788

*Representatives* The friends appointed to attend the m<sup>o</sup> meeting from the South Preparitive meeting are **Joanna Gifford** and **Anna Eddy** and those from the North are **Patience Austin** and **Elizabeth Tripp** all preasent; — — — — — — — — — —

*H Hathaway L Chase G Smith Collins Smiths marriages* The friends appointed to have the Oversight of **Humphry Hathaway** and **Abigal Smith Lemuel Chase** and **Elizabeth [Potter?]** **Giles Smith** and **Ruth Howland Collins Smith** and **Hannah Tuckers** Marriages report they all attended except **Mary Smith** She not being att home ~~report~~ and discovered nothing but what they were Conducted Orderly; — — — — — — — — — —

*return from Quarterly meeting* The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting inform they all attended agreeable to appointment and prodused an Epistle from the Same which was read in this meeting to good Satisfaction desiring that we Indeveally may adhere to the advice therein Contained for our Improvement; — — — — —

*J Deleplain S Underhill* of [sic] our worthy friend **Joseph Deleplain** from **Flushing** monthly meeting on **Long Island** dated y<sup>e</sup> 1 of y<sup>e</sup> 11 m<sup>o</sup> 1787

*Certificates* also one for our friend **Solomon Underhill** from west bury on **Long Island** dated y<sup>e</sup> 26 of y<sup>e</sup> 12 month 1787 and a Copy of a minute in behalf of our friend **Gideon Seamon** the last mentioned friends Companion bearing the same date, all which were read in this meeting to good Satisfaction; — — — — — — — — —

*P Shepard Certificate* **Patience Shepard [Shepherd]** desires a Certificate from this meeting Recommending <sup>her</sup> as a member to the m<sup>o</sup> meeting at **Rhoad [Rhode] island** **Ailce Gifford** and **Joanna Gifford** are appointed to take the Necessary care and if they find nothing to hinder prepare one and bring to the next m<sup>o</sup> meeting

2 M<sup>o</sup>  
1788 Att a Monthly meeting of women friends held in **Dartmouth** y<sup>e</sup> 18 of y<sup>e</sup> 2 m<sup>o</sup> 1788

*Representatives* The friends appointed to attend the monthly meeting from the South Preparative meeting are **Barshabe Howland** and **Elizabeth Jhonson [Johnson]** and those from the North are **Rachel Maxfield** and **Deborah Davis** all present except **Elizabeth Jhonson [Johnson]** who sent a Satisfactory excuse; — — — — —

*Committee report* The friends appointed to visit the family of **Eliphah Slead [Slade]** *E Slead request* report they have had a Solid opportunity with the family to a degree of Satisfaction and S<sup>d</sup> matter is Continued another m<sup>o</sup> under the same friends care; — — — — —

*D Shepard denial* this meeting is informed that **Deborah Shepard [Shepherd]** daughter of **David Shepard [Shepherd]** hath married out of the order of friends and not being in a disposition to make friends Satisfaction this meeting with the Concurrence of the mens do

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2 m<sup>o</sup>  
1788 deny her having any right of membership with friends *E Giffords denial* also **Elizabeth Gifford** Daughter of **Joseph Gifford** hath Kept Company and married out of the Unity of friends She being timely precautioned this meeting with the Concurrence of the mens do disown her as having any right of membership amongst friends; — — — — — **Patience Austin** is appointed to inform **Deborah Shepard [Shepherd]** and **Elizabeth Gifford** of their denial and report to the next monthly meeting; — — — — —

*Committee to treat* this meeting is informed by the Overseers that **Elizabeth Trafford** has so far departed from the principals of truth *E Trafford* as to keep Company and Publish out of the Unity of friends **Anna Eddy** and **Mercy Slocum** is appointed to treat with her for that Same and report to our next M<sup>o</sup> meeting

*J Eastis E Wood intention* **Joseph Eastis [Estes]** and **Edith Wood** declared their intention of Marriage before this meeting and are desired to waite till next m<sup>o</sup> meeting for their answer they having Consent of parents **Joanna Gifford** and **Mercy Slocum** is appointed to inspect **Edith Woods** Clearness respecting marriage and Conversation and report to the next m<sup>o</sup> meeting; — — — — —

*P Shepard Certificate* the friends appointed to draw a Certificate for **Patience Shepard [Shepherd]** have presented one which was read and Signd

in this meeting and sent to the mo meeting att **Rhoad [Rhode] Island**

3 mo  
1788

Representatives

Att a monthly meeting of women friends held in **Dartmouth** y<sup>e</sup> 17 of y<sup>e</sup> 3 mo 1788  
The friends appointed to attend the monthly meeting from the South Preparitive meeting are **Deborah Allen** and **Anna Eddy** and those from the North are **Elizabeth Shepard [Shepherd]** and **Rhoda Tucker**, all preasent; - **Patience Austin** informs this meeting that according to appointment she hath informed **Deborah Howland** formerly **Shepard [Shepherd]** and **Elizabeth Kimpton [Kempton]** formerly **Gifford** of their denial  
~~denial~~ the friends appointed to inspect **Edith Woods** Clearness respecting marriage and Conversation report they find nothing to hinder their proceeding; — — — — —  
**Deborah Allen** hath returned the Cobby of the Munit with an Indorsment thereon Signyfing her visit was to Satisfaction **Saretogue [Saratoga Springs]** y<sup>e</sup> 18 of y<sup>e</sup> 10 mo 1787  
**Mary Smith Mercy Slocum Elizabeth Kerby [Kirby]** are appointed to prepare the accounts and bring to the adjournment of this meeting;

D Allen  
cobby  
returned

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3 mo  
1788

J Estes  
E Woods  
answer

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**Joseph Estes** and **Edith Wood** appeared for their answer which was they might proceed to take each other in marriage between this and the next mo meeting advising with the overseers who are **Martha Gifford** and **Mercy Slocum** who are to See the marriage Solomnized and Conducted orderly and report to next mo meeting  
**Elizabeth Tripp Sarah Howland** and **Mary Russell** are appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting; — — — —

Sent up to  
Quarterly  
adjourns  
Mett

This meeting adjourns to y<sup>e</sup> 26 of this Instant  
Mett by adjournment y<sup>e</sup> 26 of y<sup>e</sup> 3 mo 1788  
Representatives called all preasent [~~the~~ ~~able~~] except **Deborah Allen**; the friends appointed to prepare the accounts have presented them which was read approved and Signd  
In this meeting and are to be forwarded up to the Quarterly meeting by our Representatives before named

Representatives

E Trafford  
disowned

The friends appointed to treat with **Elizabeth Trafford** inform they have had an oppertunity with her and <sup>they</sup> not finding Satisfaction this meeting with the Concurrence of the mens do deny her any right of membership with friends; **Mercy Slocum** is desired to inform **Elizabeth Trafford** of her denial and report to the next mo meeting

E Sleads  
Children

The Committee that had the care of **Eliphah Sleads [Slades]** request report they have had Several Solid oppertunities

*received* with her and with the family and it is their judgment by what appeared that sd request be granted which report this meeting takes up with and do receive them into membership with friends;

*request of Bedford friends* This meeting is informed from the mens friends att **Bedford** request to have there midweek meetings altered from <sup>^</sup>Six day to fifth day which this meeting Concurs with;  
**Anna Eddy Mary Smith** and **Mercy Slocum** are appointed to Correct the monthly meeting munits and report when accomplished; — — — — — — — —  
*munits Corrected*  
*Collection* Collected at this meeting 5<sup>s</sup>-6<sup>d</sup> Lawful mony

*4 mo 1788* Att a monthly meeting of women friends held in **Dartmouth** y<sup>e</sup> 21 of y<sup>e</sup> 4 month 1788  
*Representatives* The friends appointed to attend the mo meeting from the South preparative meeting are **Silvester Howland** and **Rachel Sanford** and those from the North are **Hannah Mosher** and **Judith Russell** all preasant

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*4 Mo 1788* except **Judith Russell** who <sup>^</sup>Sent the reason of her absence which was to Satisfaction;  
the friends appointed to attend **Joseph Estes** and **Edith Woods** marriage report they attended and discovered nothing but that it was Con ducted orderly; **Deborah Allen** informs this meeting the reason She did not attend at the adjournment which was to Satisfaction

*returns from the Quarterly Meeting* the friends appointed to <sup>^</sup>attend the Quarterly meeting inform they all attended and Produced an Epistle from the same which was read in this meeting to good Satisfaction; — — — — — — — —

*E Allen copy of the munite* **Elizabeth Allen** wife to **Eliezar Allen** Informs this meeting She is about to make a visit to her friends at the **Oblong** and desires our Concurrence therewith these may Certify in her behalf that she is a member with us and as such we Recom mend her to your Christian care the Clerk is directed to give her a Copy of this munite, — — — — — — — —

*M Howland Acknowledge ment* **Mary Howland** daughter of **Elija Russell** hath sent a paper to this meeting Condemning her marrying out of the Unity of friends which is so far Noticed as to appoint a Committee to inspect the Sincerity thereof who are **Ailce Anthony** and **Lucia Howland** and report when ready; — — — — —

*Committee report of the meetings* The Committee appointed to have the care and Oversight of the meetings in **Allens Neck** report the time being expired and that they <sup>^</sup>was Conducted orderly and attended by most friends and generally to a good degree of Satisfaction

**Abner Shepard** [**Shepherd**] and **Abthia Mott** proposed there intention

*A Shepard*  
*A Mott*  
*intention* of marriage with each other before this meeting and are desired to wait till next mo meeting for their answer they having Consent of parents, **Hannah Mosher** and **Rhoda Tucker** is appointed to inspect **Abthia Motts** clearness respecting marriage and Conversation and report to the next monthly meeting;

*5 mo*  
*1788*

Att Monthly Meeting of women friends held in  
**Dartmouth** y<sup>e</sup> 19 of y<sup>e</sup> 5 month 1788

*Representatives*  
*Called*

The friends appointed to attend the monthly meeting from the South Preparative meeting are **Abigal Shepard [Shepherd]** and **Abigal Briggs** and those from the North are **Susanna Russell** and **Rachel Maxfield** all present, — — — — — — — — — —

*M Howland*  
*referd*

the matter respecting **Mary Howland** is referd another mo the friends appointed to inspect **Abthia Motts** clearness respecting Marriag- inform they find nothing to hinder their proceeding

*W Rotch*  
*[illegible]*  
*certificate*

Received a Removel Certificate ~~in~~ behalf from the mo Meeting att **Nantucket** in behalf of **William Rotch** his

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*5 month*  
*1788*

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**Elizabeth Ju<sup>r</sup>** and their daughter **Sarah** Recommending them as members in Unity to this meeting which is accepted, —

*L Hart*  
*accepted*  
*A Wings*  
*Certificate*

this meeting is Informed from the mens they have accepted **Luke Harts** acknowledgment for Satisfaction; **Ailce Wing** desires a certificate from this meeting to the Monthly meeting att **Sandwich**

*A Shepard*  
*requests for*  
*her daughter*

**Abigal Shepard [Shepherd]** likewise request a few lines for her daughter **Lydia** recommending <sup>her</sup> to the mo meeting att **Rhoad [Rhode]** **Island Anna Eddy** and **Sarah Gifford** are appointed to take the Necessary care and if they find nothing to hinder to prepar them and bring to the next mo meeting; — — — —

*Munites*  
*Corrected*

the friends appointed to Correct the mo meetings munits inform they have fulfilled their appointment; ———

*C Slocum*  
*denial*

This meeting Concurr with the mens in disowning **Caleb Slocum** any right of membership with friends; —

*A Shepard*  
*A Mott*  
*answer*

**Abner Shepard [Shepherd]** and **Abthia Mott** appeared for their answer which was they might proceed to take each other in marriage between this and the next mo meeting advising with the Overseers who are **Elizabeth Tripp** and **Rachel Maxfield** who are to have the oversight of S<sup>d</sup> marriage and report to next mo meeting **Mercy Slocum** informs that **Elizabeth Trafford** is informd of her denial;

Collected att this meeting one shilling and eight pence <sup>lawful</sup>

*6 mo*  
*1788*

att a mo meeting of women friends held in  
**Dartmouth** y<sup>e</sup> 16 of y<sup>e</sup> 6 mo 1788

*Representatives called* The Representatives from the South preparitive meeting are **Hannah Wood** and **Mary Smith** both preasent from the North **Kezia Russell** and **Rhoda Mott** not preasent

*Sent to Quarterly meeting* The Queries and answers from each preparitive meeting were read in this meeting **Mary Devol [Davol]** **Rhoda Tucker** and **Elphal Slead [Slade]** are appointed to Compile the answers prepare the accounts and bring to the adjournment of this meeting, **Mary Smith** Clerk for the day,

this meeting adjourns to the 23<sup>d</sup> of this Instant

Mett by adjournment y<sup>e</sup> 23 of y<sup>e</sup> 6 m<sub>o</sub> 1788

Representatives called all preasent,

one of the friends appointed to oversee **Abner Shepard [Shepherd]** and **Abthia**

**Motts** marriage ~~report Elizabeth Tripp~~ Elizabeth Tripp informs she attended the marriage and discovered

nothing but that it was Conducted orderly;

the friends appointed to Prepare **Ailce Wings** and **Lydia**

**Shepards [Shepherds]** Certificate have presented them which was read

approved and Signd by the Clerk of this meeting,

*A Wing & L Shepard Certificate Signd*

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*M Howland refered* the matter of **Mary Howland** is still refered

*Sent to Quarterly meeting* The Queries and answers with the accounts have been read approved and signd in this meeting and are to be forwarded up to the Quarterly meeting by our Representatives who are **Kezia Russell** **Martha Gifford** and **Hannah Wood** and they to report to the next monthly meeting;

this meeting is informd that **Hannah Bowdish [Bowditch]** has removed

with her Children to **Saretogue [Saratoga]** without a Certificate

**Mary Devol [Davol]** and **Elizabeth Tripp** are appointed to take the

Necessary care and bring one to the next m<sub>o</sub> meeting if

they find nothing to hinder;

*Hannah Bowdish Certificate*

*7 m<sub>o</sub> 1788*

Att a monthly meeting of women friends held in

**Dartmouth** y<sup>e</sup> 21 of y<sup>e</sup> 7 m<sub>o</sub> 1788

*Representatives called* Representatives from the South Preparitive are **Sarah Howland** and **Abigal Shepard [Shepherd]** and those from the North are **Rhoda Tucker** and **Patience Austin** all preasent; — — —

*M Beard & husbands request*

**Mary Beard** hath Sent a paper to this meeting requesting to

come under the care of friends if upon inquirey She may be

found worthy and her husband **Obediah Beard** likewise requests

the Same for their Children whose names are **Sarah Barrd [Barret]** and

**Matthew Beard** which is put under the care of a Committee

who are **Deborah Allen** **Deborah Hicks** **Martha Chase** and

**Anna Eddy** they to Inspect the Sincerity thereof and report when <sup>ready</sup>

*M Howland accepted*

The Committee that had the care of **Mary Howlands** acknowledg

ment report they have had Several Solid oppertunities with her

and think her paper may be received which report this meeting

with the Concurrence of the mens do accept for Satisfaction

*returns from quarterly meeting*

The friends that were appointed to attend the Quarterly <sup>meeting</sup> report

they all attended and produced an Epistle from thence with

two transcripts one from **Philidelphia** [**Philadelphia**] the other from **Long is land** yearly meeting Containing excellent advice all which was read to our Satisfaction

*Clerk  
reappointed*

**Mercy Slocum**, is reappointed Clerk for the year ensuing

1788  
att a Monthly Meeting of women friends held  
in **Dartmouth** y<sup>e</sup> 18 of y<sup>e</sup> 8 m<sup>o</sup> 1788

*Representa  
tives called*

the friends appointed to attend the monthly meeting from the South Preparitive meeting are **Hannah Wood Deborah Barker** and those from the North are **Hannah Mosher** and **Kezia Russell** all preasent,

*Mary Beard  
Referd*

The request of **Mary Beard** is referd another m<sup>o</sup> under the Same friends care;

*R Pearce  
condemning  
her outgoings*

**Rebeckah Pearce** hath sent a paper to this meeting Condemning her departing So far from the principals of truth as to marry out of the Unity of friends which is noticed So far as to appoint a Committee who are

*Committee  
appointed*

**Hannah Mosher Ruth Tucker** and **Eliphah Slead** [**Slade**] and they to report when ready as they find the State of her mind.

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*9 m<sup>o</sup>  
1788*

Att a Monthly meeting of womon friends held in  
**Dartmouth** y<sup>e</sup> 15 of y<sup>e</sup> 9 month 1788

*Representa  
tives called*

The friends appointed to attend the monthly meeting from the South Preparitive meeting are **Abigal Briggs** and **Elizabeth Kerby** [**Kirby**] and those from the North are **Patience Austin** and **Rachel Maxfield** all preasent

*M Beard  
referd*

The request of **Mary Beard** is referd another month

*R Pearce  
acknowledg  
ment -  
received*

The friends that had the care of **Rebeckah Pearce** acknow ledgment report they have had a Solid oppertunity with her and think her to be Sincere in her acknowledgment which report this meeting takes up Satisfied with having the Concurrence of the men therein; —

*Overseers  
reappointed*

this meeting reappoints those friends that now Stands as Overseers with **Elizabeth Tripp** added for the year insuing this meeting is informd from the mens they have denied **John Chase** from having any right of membership amongst friends which this meeting Concurs with

*Sent to  
Quarterly  
meeting*

**Deborah Davis Keziah Russell and Patience Austin** are ap pointed to prepare the Accounts and bring to the adjourn ment of this meeting **Anne Eddy** and **Elizabeth Slocum** are appointed to Attend the Quarterly meeting

*youths  
meeting  
discontin  
ued*

the members of the Select meeting Conclude it may be best to discontinue that meeting that meeting [*sic*] called the Youths meeting held on the Six day before the Quarterly meeting which being Considered by this meeting in Concurrence with the men is Conferd with and the Several week day meetings belonging to this meeting be in future held

*adjourned* and kept up <sup>in</sup> that week in which the youths meeting  
was formerly held; this meeting adjourns to y<sup>e</sup> 24 of this instant  
*Mett* Mett by adjournment y<sup>e</sup> 24 of 9 mo 1788  
Representatives called all preasent except [?] **Rachel**  
**Maxfield** She being unwell could not attend  
the friends appointed to prepare the accounts have  
*Representatives called* presente them which was read and signd in this  
meeting and & and [sic] are to be forwarded up to the  
Quarterly meeting by the Representatives before  
named and they to report at the next mo meeting

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*10 mo 1788* Att a monthly meeting of women friends held in  
**Dartmouth** y<sup>e</sup> 20<sup>d</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> 10 month 1788  
*Representatives called* the friends appointed to attend the monthly meeting  
from the South Preparitive meeting are **Hannah Wood**  
and **Mary Smith** and those from the North are **Judith**  
**Russell** and **Elizabeth Tripp** all preasent, —  
*returns from Quarterly meeting* the friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting  
report they all attended according to appointment  
the friends that had the request of **Mary** <sup>&</sup> **Obediah Beard** under  
*M Beard & Children received* Consideration report they have had Several Solid oppertu  
nities with them and watily [weightily] Consided the matter  
which was in some degree to their Satisfaction and  
think that **Obediahs** wife **Mary** and their three children  
may be received whose names are **Sarah Barret** and **Matthew**  
**Beard** which this Meeting with the Concurrence of the  
mens do receive into membership with friends,  
*an additi on of Elders* this meeting being informd from the mens that they are  
informed by the members of the members of the Select  
meeting that they find it Necessary to have an addition of  
Elders and have anominated **Joseph Tucker** <sup>Jur</sup> and **Rhoda Tucker**  
for that Station and this meeting watily Considering the  
Matter do appoint **Martha Chase Deborah** <sup>Allen</sup> and **Joanna Giff**  
**ord** to have a Solid oppertunity with the above named  
friends and report when ready,  
*E Chase acknowledged* **Elizabeth Chase** hath Sent a paper to this meeting  
Condemning her outgoings **Mary Smith** and **Anne Eddy**  
are appointed to inspect the Sincerity of her mind and  
*the Treasuary informs paid out P Slocum Elizabeth Ricketson Intention of marriage* report when ready,  
The Treasuary informs that she has disbursted nine Shillings  
and four pence out of the meetings money;  
**Peleg Slocum the third** and **Elizabeth Ricketson** proposed  
their intention of marriage with each other before this  
meeting and they are desired to waite till next monthly  
meeting for their Answer **Elizabeth Sanford** and **Joanna**  
**Gifford** are appointed to inspect **Elizabeth Ricketson**  
Clearness respecting marriage and Conversation and report  
when ~~ready~~, to the next monthly meeting;  
*R Pearce Requests certificate* **Rebecca Pearce** Requests a removal Certificate recommend  
ing her to the mo meeting at **Swansey [Swanzey] Elizabeth Tripp**



10 mo  
1788

and **Rhoda Tucker** are appointed to take the necessary care and if they find nothing to hinder to prepare one and bring to the next monthly meeting;

11 mo  
1788

Att a monthly meeting of women friends held in **Dartmouth** y<sup>e</sup> 17 of y<sup>e</sup> 11 month 1788

Representatives called

The friends appointed to attend the monthly meeting from the South Preparitive meeting are **Elizabeth Kerby [Kirby]** and **Elizabeth Slocum** and those from the North are **Rhoda Tucker** and **Kezia Russell** all preasent;

Committee Report for Elders

The Committee appointed to have the Conferrence with those friends anominated for Elders report they have had a Solid Conferrence with **Joseph Tucker** <sup>Jur</sup> and **Rhoda Tucker** and is their minds that they be appointed to that Station which is accepted by both men and womens meeting;

E Ricketson clearness

the friends appointed to inspect **Elizabeth Ricketson** clearness respecting marriage and Conversation report they find nothing to hinder their proceeding;

**Peleg Slocum** and **Elizabeth Ricketson** appeared for their answer which was they may proceed to take each other in marriage between this and the next monthly meeting adviseing with those friends that will be appointed to see the marriage Solomnized and Conducted orderly ~~and~~ who are **Sarah Gifford** and **Anne Eddy** and they to report to the next monthly meeting;

[illegible]

E Chase acknowledgment received

the friends appointed to inspect the Sincerity of **Elizabeth Chase** wife to **Lemuel Chases** acknowledgment report they have had a favoured oppertunity with her which report this meeting with the Concurrence of the mens do accept for Satisfaction and receive her into membership again she causing her paper to be read in the Publick <sup>usual</sup> manner which is as follows, Whereas through unwatchfullness and giving way to insinuation of the Enemy of all truth I have fallen into the Reproachfull Sin of fornication as appears by my having a Child so soon after marriag which misconduct of mine I am Sorry for and do Condemn hoping that I may be forgiven by the Almighty and that friends will so far pass it by as to let me remain under their care this from your friend **Elizabeth Chase**.

R Pearce Certificate

read and signd a removal Certificate for **Rebecca Pearce** wife to **James Pearce** Recommend her to ~~Account~~ **Swansey [Swanzey]** mo meeting

11<sup>th</sup> mo  
1788

Sent to Quarterly meeting

the Queries and Answers have been read in this meeting **Mary Smith** and **Silvester Howland** are appointed to prepare the accounts and bring to the adjournment of this meeting the friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting are

**Keziah Russell and Mary Tucker;**

*L Potter  
acknowledg  
ment*

**Lydia Potter** hath sent a paper to this meeting Condemning her out goings **Susanna Russell Kezia Russell** and **Mary Tucker** are appointed to inspect her Sincerity and report when ready;

*meeting  
adjourns  
Mett*

this meeting adjourns to 26 of this Instant,

Mett by adjournment y<sup>e</sup> 26 of y<sup>e</sup> 11 month 1788

Representatives Called **Elizabeth Slocum** and **Kezia Russell** preasent **Elizabeth Kerby [Kirby]** Sent a Satisfactory reason for not attending;

**Sarah Gifford** <sup>^appointed</sup> Clerk for the day

the friends that was appointed to prepare the accounts have presented them which was read and Signd in this meeting and are to be Sent up to the Quarterly meeting by our Representatives before named;

*P Chase  
Certificate*

**Patience Chase** desires a few lines by way of Certificate to the monthly meeting at **Swansey [Swanzey]** **Mary Smith** and **Bethia Wady** are appointed to draw one and bring to the next monthly meeting if they find nothing to hinder

*12 mo  
1788*

Att a Monthly meeting of women friends held in

**Dartmouth** y<sup>e</sup> 15<sup>d</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> 12 month 1788,

*Represen  
tatives  
called*

the friends appointed to attend the monthly meeting from the South Preparitive meeting are **Barshabe Howland** and **Joanna Gifford** and those from the North are **Patience Austin** and **Hannah Mosher** all preasent except **Patience Austin** who sent a Satisfactory excuse;

**Sarah Gifford** informs She attended the marriag of ~~Eliza~~ **Peleg Slocum the 3** and **Elizabeth Ricketson** which was Conducted in a good degree orderly **Anna Eddy** informs She did not attend by reason of indisposition;

*returns  
from Quart  
erly meeting  
R & E Smith  
Coppoy of  
Minute  
returnd*

the friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting inform they attended according to appointment;

**Rube Smith** and **Elizabeth Smith** Daughters of **John Smith** Some time past had Coppeys of the Munite directed to the monthly meeting at the **Nine Partners** and now have returned them with an Indorsment thereon which is accepted by this meeting;

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*12 mo  
1788  
request  
of friends  
in the neck*

The friends in the **Neck** requests the liberty of holding meetings in their Neighbourhood for the Space of 4 months every first day and every fifth day of the week in which their may be no meetings for Discipline held one month at **Elihue Slocums** one month at **Susanna Allens** and one month at **Timothy Giffords** and one month at **Peleg Slocums**

under Consideration thereof this meeting doth appoint a Committee who are **Martha** <sup>Gifford</sup> ~~Chase~~ **Mary Smith** **Marcy Slocum** and **Hannah Wood** to join the Committee of men to make them a visit on the account and report to the next monthly meeting their prospect of the matter;

*M Willcox  
disownd*

this meeting is informed from the mens they are about to deny **Micajah Willcox** [**Wilcox**] any right of membership with friends which this meeting Concurr with;

*E Russell  
Certificate*

**Elizabeth Russell** Daughter to **Benjamin Russell** desires a Certificate Recommending a member to the monthly meeting at the **Nine Partners** **Martha Gifford** and **Sarah Ricketson** are appointed prepare one and bring to the next monthly

*P Chase  
Certificate  
Signd*

meeting if they find nothing to hinder; Read and Signd a Removal Certificate for **Patience Chase** Recommending her to the monthly meeting at **Swansey** [**Swanzey**];

*J Rogers  
E Kerby  
Intention  
declared*

**Joseph Rogers** and **Elizabeth Kerby** [**Kirby**] declared their intention of marriage with each other before this meeting and are desired to wait till next monthly meeting for their Answer they having Consent of parents **Susanna Allen** and **Elizabeth Slocum** are appointed to inspect **Elizabeth Kerbys** [**Kirbys**] clearness respecting marriage and Conversation and and report at the next monthly meeting;

*1 mo  
1789*

Att a Monthly Meeting of women friends held in **Dartmouth** y<sup>th</sup> 19<sup>d</sup> of y<sup>th</sup> 1 mo 1789

*Representa  
tives called*

the friends appointed to attend the monthly meeting from, the South Preparitive meeting are **Phebe Smith** and **Anne Eddy** and those from the North are **Rebecca Ricketson** and **Experience Hart** all preasent except **Experience Hart** who sent a Satisfactory reason;

*friends in  
Allens & Slocums  
neck granted*

the Committee appointed to make a Visit to the friends in **Allens** and **Slocums Neck** report they have had an Opertunity with most of the friends there and think it may be best to grant them their Pet[i]tion so far as to hold meetings on first days only, till the monthly meeting in the fourth month next under the one month at **Susanna Allens** one at **Elihue Slocums** and one month at **Peleg Slocums** and under

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*1<sup>st</sup> m<sup>e</sup>  
1789*

the Oversight and inspection of the above Sd Committee appointed by the monthly meeting Subject to be discontinued at any time Sooner then the time above set if they Shall think it best;

*J Rogers  
Eliz Kerby  
answer*

the friends appointed to inspect **Elizabeth Kerbys** [**Kirbys**] clearness respecting marriage report they find nothing to hinder their proceeding. **Joseph Rogers** and **Elizabeth Kerby** [**Kirby**] appeared for their answer which was they may proceed in marriage between this and the next monthly meeting advising with the friends that will be appointed to see their marriage solom

nized and Conducted orderly who are **Elizabeth Slocum** and **Susanna Allen** and they to report to the next mo meeting; **Elizabeth Chases** acknowledgment hath been read agreeable to the Conclusion of the last mo meeting; **Ruben Allen** and **Barshabe Kerby [Kirby]** declared their intention of marriage with each other before this meeting and are desired to wait till next mo meeting for their answer they having Consent of parents **Mercy Slocum** and **Hannah Wood** are appointed to inspect **Barshabe Kerbys [Kirbys]** clearness respecting marriage and report at the next mo meeting read and Signd a Certificate for **Elizabeth Russell** daughter of **Benjamin Russell** Recommending her a member to the monthly meeting at the **Nine Partners**;

*R Allen  
B Kerbys  
intention  
declared*

the Committee appointed to inspect the Sincerity of **Lydia Potters** acknowledgment report they have received a good degree of Satisfaction which report this meeting with the Concurrence of the men do accept She causing her paper to be read in the Usial Publick manner and return it to the Clerk to go on Record **Jerusha Smith** hath presented a paper to this meeting requesting to come under the care of friends if upon due inspection she may be found worthy **Martha Chase** and **Sarah Gifford** are appointed to inspect <sup>the Sencerity</sup> of her mind therein and report when ready

*L Potter  
accepted*

*J Smiths  
request*

*2 Mo  
1789*

Att a Monthly Meeting of women friends held in **Dartmouth** y<sup>th</sup> 16<sup>d</sup> of y<sup>th</sup> 2 m<sup>o</sup> 1789

*Represen  
tatives  
called*

the friends appointed to attend the monthly meeting from the South Preparitive meeting are **Lucia Howland** and **Hannah Wood** and those from the North are **Kezia Russell** and **Rachel Maxfield** all preasent, the friends appointed to have the Oversight of **Barshabe Kerbys [Kirbys]** Clearness respecting marriag<sup>e</sup> and Conversation report they find nothing to hinder their proceeding **Ruben Allen** and **Barshabe Kerby [Kirby]** appeared for

*Ruben  
Allen &  
B Kerbys  
answer*

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*2 mo  
1789*

Answer which was they may proceed in marriage between this and the next monthly meeting advising with the friends appointed to see their marriage Sollomnized and Conducted orderly who are **Deborah Gifford** and **Elizabeth Howland** and they to report to the next mo meeting; the friends appointed to have the Oversight of **Joseph Rogers** and **Elizabeth Kerbys [Kirbys]** marriage report they discovered nothing but that it was Conducted orderly; — — — **Lydia Potters** acknowledgment hath been read agreeable to the Conclusion of last monthly meeting and is as follows I the Subscriber having been disobedient to the

*L Potters  
acknowled  
gment  
received*

holy law of Christ, as was manifest by my having had a Child too early after marriage, hereby testify my sorrow for the evil thereof, & hoping for forgiveness from my maker whom I have Offended, and desire that friends would pass by my offence, and receive me again under their care,

**New Bedford 11 mo 13. 1788 Lydia Potter**

*J Russell  
E Allen  
intention  
marriage*

**Joseph Russell and Edith Allen** declared their intention of marriage with each other before this meeting and are desired to wait till next mo meeting for their answer having Consent of parents; — — — — —

*P Allen  
S Shearman  
intentions  
of marriage*

**Peleg Allen and Susanna Shearman [Sherman]** declared their intention of marriage before this meeting and are desired to waite till next mo meeting for their answer they likewise having Consent of parents; — — — — —

**Elizabeth Slocum and Deborah Gifford** are appointed to inspect **Edith Allens** Clearness respecting marriage and Conversation and report att our next mo meeting,

**Kezia Russell and Zevia [Zerviah] Smith** are appointed to inspect **Susanna Shearmans [Shermans]** clearness respecting marriage and Conversation and report att the next mo meeting the friends appointed to inspect the Sincerity of

*J Smith  
request*

**Jerusha Smiths** request report they have had a Solid oppertunity with her and found a good degree of Satisfaction which report this meeting with the Concurrence of the mens do accept and receive her into membership with friends; — — — — —

*2 mo  
1789*

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*M Hatha  
ways  
request*

**Martha Hathaway** presented a few lines to this meeting desiring to come under the care of friends if upon inspection She may be found worthy which is put under the care of a Committee who are **Martha Chase and Elizabeth Slocum** and they to report when ready; — — — — —

*E Rogers  
Certificate*

**Elizabeth Rogers** desires a removal Certificate for herself and Daughter **Sarah Kerby [Kirby]** recommending them as members to the mo meeting at **Pembrook [Pembroke] Mary Smith and Mercy Slocum** are appointed to prepare one and bring to the next mo meeting if they find nothing to hinder, — — — — —

*E Chases  
Certificate*

**Elizabeth Chase** desires a Certificate recommending her to the mo meeting at **Acoakset [Acoaxet] Mehetable Tucker and Elizabeth Tripp** are appointed to take the Necessary care to prepare one and bring to the next mo meeting if they find nothing to hinder;

*A Hatha  
ways  
Certificate*

**Abigal Hathaway** desires a removal Certificate to the mo meeting of **Sandwich Joanna Gifford and Sarah Gifford** are appointed to take the necessary care and if they find nothing to hinder, to prepare one and bring to the next

*D Howland  
acknowledge  
dgment*

monthly meeting; **Deborah Howland** hath sent a paper to this meeting Condemning her marrying out of the Unity of friends which is noticed so far as to be put under the care of a Committee who are **Martha Gifford and Martha Chase** and they to report when ready;

3 mo  
1789  
Representatives  
called

Att a Monthly Meeting of women friends held  
in **Dartmouth** y<sup>e</sup> 16 of y<sup>e</sup> 3 month 1789  
the Representatives from the South Preparative meeting  
are **Abigail Briggs** and **Lucia Howland** and from the  
North **Patience Austin** and **Elizabeth Tripp** all present  
the friends appointed to attend **Ruben Allen** and **Barshabe  
Kerbys [Kirbys]** marriage report they attended and discovered  
nothing but that it was Conducted orderly; — — — — —  
the friends appointed to inspect **Edith Allen** and **Susanna  
Shearmans [Shermans]** clearness respecting marriage and Conversation  
report ~~they~~ nothing appears but that each couple may  
proceed in marriag between this and the next mo meeting  
advising with the friends appointed to see their marriages  
Solomnized and conducted orderly **Patience Austin** and  
**Zerviah Smith** to have the care of **Peleg Allen & Susanna**

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1789

**Shearmans [Shermans]** marriage **Elizabeth Slocum** and **Elizabeth Howland** are appointed to the care of **Joseph Russell** <sup>^Edith Allens</sup> marriage and report to the next mo meeting;

M Hatha  
way accep  
ted

the Committee that had **Martha Hathaways** request under their care report they found so much Satisfaction think she may be received which report this meeting with the concurrence of the mens do accept and receive her into membership with friends; — —

R Russell  
complained  
of

this meeting is informed by the overseers that **Rebecca Russell** daughter of **Elija Russell** hath attended at a place where there was musick and dancing and likewise concerned in a Lottery which She hath been laboured with for and they not finding Satisfaction thought best to lay it before the monthly meeting, **Deborah Allen** and **Anne Eddy [Eddy]** are appointed to labour with her as truth may direct and report when ready;

D Howland  
accepted

the friends appointed to inspect the Sincerity of **Deborah Howland** wife of **Philip Howlands** acknowledgment report they a good degree of Satisfaction and think her acknowledgment may be received which report this meeting with the Concurrence of the mens do accept for Satisfaction; read and Signd a removal Certificate

E Rogers  
Certificate

for **Elizabeth Rogers** and her daughter **Sarah Kerby [Kirby]** Recommending them as members to the mo meeting at **Pembrook [Pembroke]**; and one for **Abigail Hathaway** recommend

A Hathaway  
Certificate  
E Chases  
Certificate

ing her a member to the mo meeting at **Sandwich**, and one for **Elizabeth Chase** recommending recommending [sic] her to the mo meeting at **Acoakset [Acoaxet]**, the Queries and Answers hath been read in this meeting **Mercy Slocum Sarah Howland** and **Kezia Russell**

are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting and report to the next m<sub>o</sub> meeting, **Rhoda Tucker** and **Joanna Gifford** and **Anne Eddy** are appointed to compile the answers prepare the accounts and bring to the adjournment of this meeting; Collected att this meeting; 3<sup>s</sup>-4<sup>d</sup>-0

*adjourns  
mett*

this meeting adjourns to next fifth day at **Bedford**

Mett by adjournment y<sup>e</sup> 19<sup>th</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> 3<sup>d</sup> m<sub>o</sub> 1789

*Representatives calld*

Representatives called none preasent except **Patience Austin**, **Elizabeth Rotch** Clerk for this time;

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*3 m<sub>o</sub>  
1789  
S Trafford  
Certificate*

this meeting is informed **Sarah Trafford** daughter of **Philip Trafford** hath removed from hence to live within the Verge of **Saretoga** [**Saratoga**] monthly meeting & not having a Certificate this meeting thinks proper to appoint **Nanna Gifford** and **Anne Eddy** to prepare one and bring to the next m<sub>o</sub> meeting if they find nothing to hinder; — —

*sent to  
Quarterly  
meeting*

the friends appointed to compile the answers to the Queries and prepare the accounts have presented them which was read signd and sent up to the Quarterly meeting by the above named friends and they to report to the next m<sub>o</sub> meeting,

Att a monthly meeting of women friends held

att **Dartmouth** y<sup>eth</sup> 20 of y<sup>eth</sup> 4 m<sub>o</sub> 1789

*Representatives called*

Representatives from the South preparitive meeting are **Barshabe Howland** and **Elizabeth Sanford** and those from the North **Kezia Russell** and **Rhoda Mott** all preasent, ———  
Representatives appointed to attend the last m<sup>o</sup> meeting gave a Satisfactory reason for not attending, att the adjournment; the friends appointed to have the Oversight of **Edith Allen Joseph Russell Susanna Shearman** [**Sherman**] and **Peleg Allens** marriages report they all attend to their their [*sic*] appointments and discovered nothing but that they was Conducted orderly  
this meeting is informd from the mens they have deny'd **Elijah Russell** any right of membership with friends which this meeting concurs with; ———

*S Allen  
copy of  
munit*

the matter of **Rebecca Russell** is referd another m<sub>o</sub>  
the friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting inform they all attended agreable to appointment ———  
**Susanna Allen** informs this meeting she about to take a journey to **Sara<sup>to</sup>ga** and the **Nine Partners** to visit her friends and relations and desires our concurrence therewith this meeting taking it under consideration do approve there of she being a member in Unity the Clerk is directed to give her a Copy of this munit; — — — —

*A Wickham  
denyed*

this meeting is informd from the m<sup>o</sup> meeting at the **Oblong** they have denyed **Anna Wickam** formerly **Shepard** [**Shepherd**] any right of membership with friends for marrying out of the Unity of friends and having a child soon after marriage which this meeting Concurr with, ———

*4 mo*  
*1789*  
**R Hart**  
*denyed*

this meeting is informd that **Rebecca Hart** formerly **Lapham**, going on a Visit to her friends at **Saratoga** without a Certificate has married out of the order of friends which misconduct this meeting Concludes with the Concurrence of the mens to deny her the Sd **Rebecca Heart [Hart]** any right of membership with friends; — Collected 0-9<sup>d</sup>-0

*5 mo*  
*1789*  
*Representati*  
*ves*

att a monthly meeting of women friends held in **Dartmouth** y<sup>e</sup> 18 of y<sup>e</sup> 5 month 1789

The representatives from the South Preparitive meeting are **Phebe Smith** and **Deborah Barker** and from the North **Susanna Russell** and **Ruth Mosher Ruth Mosher** and **Deborah Barker** not preasent prevented by indisposition, of body, **Deborah Davis** Clerk for day the Clerk being absent the matter concerning **Rebecca Russell** is again refered; this meeting with the mens Concurrence Concludes to disown **Amy Russell** wife to **William Russell J<sup>ur</sup>** from being a member thereof for marrying out of the Unity of friends; **Susanna Russell** is desired to inform her of her denial, this meeting hath received a Removel Certificate in behalf of **Thomas Hazard** and his wife **Anna** and their Children whose names are **Sarah Elizabeth anna Thomas Rodman Hazard**, — — — — — — — — —

*Clerk absent*

*amy Russell*  
*disowned*

*T Hazard &*  
*wife*  
*Certificate*

*B Worth &*  
*Companion*  
*Certificate*

this meeting received a Certificate from the mens meeting in favour of our friend **Benjamin Worth** from **Purchase mo** meeting in **westchester** County and State of **New York** dated the 19<sup>th</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> 4 mo and a Copsy of a munit for his Companion **James Mott** from the Same meeting bearing the same date, with whose Company and labours we have good Unity; —

*Meetings*  
*in y<sup>e</sup> Neck*

the friends that had the care of the meetings in **Allens Neck** report they Visited Sd meetings, and think they was Conducted in a good degree orderly; —

*6 mo*  
*1789*

att a Monthly meeting of women friends held in **Dartmouth** y<sup>e</sup> 15 of y<sup>e</sup> 6 mo 1789

*Representa*  
*tives called*

*R Russell*  
*refered*

*Mary Soul*  
*acknowledge*  
*dgment*

Representatives from the South Preparitive meeting are **Sarah Howland** and **Joanna Gifford** and those from the North **Elizabeth Tripp** and **Mehetable Tucker** all present except **Sarah Howland**; the matter of **Rebecca Russell** is still refered; **Mary Soul [Soule]** hath presented a paper to this meeting Condemning her misconduct which is put under the care of a Committee to inspect the Sin cerity thereof who are **Martha Chase** and **Sarah Gifford** and they to report when ready; — — — — — — — — —

*6<sup>th</sup> m<sup>e</sup>*  
*1789*

the Queries and answers have been read and Considered in



this meeting **Deborah Hicks Martha Gifford and Barshabe Howland** are appointed to Compile the Answers prepare the accounts and bring to the adjournment of this meeting;

*adjourns  
Mett*

**Rhoda Tucker and Elizabeth Slocum** are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting; — — this meeting adjourns to y<sup>e</sup> 22 of this instant Mett by adjournment y<sup>e</sup> 22 of y<sup>e</sup> 6 mo 1789

*Representatives called*

the Clerk being absent **Deborah** Clerk for the day.

Representatives called all present except **Mehetable Tucker**,

*sent to*

the friends appointed to Compile the answers and prepare the

*Quarterly*

accounts have presented them which was read approved and signd

*meeting*

and Sent by our Representatives above named; — —

*Amy Russell  
Informed*

**Susanna Russell** informs She hath informd **Amy Russell**

of her denial; —

*care of*

**Sandwich** monthly meeting requests <sup>^this meeting to take</sup> the care of **Susanna**

*Susanna*

**Butts**, one of their members this meeting appoints **Mary**

*Butts*

**Smith** and **Elizabeth Slocum** to take the Necessary care and

write an answer back to **Sandwich** monthly meeting

and bring to the next monthly meeting; — — —

Att A Monthly Meeting of women friends held  
in **Dartmouth** y<sup>e</sup> 20 of y<sup>e</sup> 7 mo 1789

*Representatives called*

The Representatives from the South preparitive meeting are **Mary Tucker** and **Elizabeth Slocum** and from the North are **Sarah Russell** and **Rachel Maxfield** all present; — — —

*R Russell  
disown*

the Committee appointed to treat with **Rebecca Russell** report they have had Several Solid oppertunities with her and they not meeting with Satisfaction think best to deny her any right of mbership with friends having the concur

*M Soul  
referd*

rence of the men therein; —

the matter of **Mary Soul [Soule]** is referd another month under the care of the Same Committee; —

*J Sippson  
certificate*

**Rhoda Tucker** informs, she attended ~~that she atte~~ the Quarterly meeting **Elizabeth Slocum** informs the Sircumstance of her family was Such She could not attend;

*R Jones  
certificate*

our friend **John Simpson** attended this meeting with a Certificate from **Wrightstown** in **Bucks County Pencilvania [Pennsylvania]** bearing date y<sup>e</sup> 20 of y<sup>e</sup> 5 mo 1789;

*request of  
Sandwich  
for Susanna  
Butts*

Likewise our friend **Rebecca Jones** attended this meeting with a Certificate from the mo meeting at **Philadelphia** in the Northern district dated y<sup>e</sup> 2 of y<sup>e</sup> 6 mo 1789

whose labours amongst us hath been acceptable

the Committee appointed to answer the request of

friends of **Sandwich** mo meeting in regard to **Susanna**

**Butts** have prepared an answer which was read in this

meeting and Signd by the Clerk,

7 mo  
1789  
*A Chase*  
*request*

**Abigal Chase** hath presented a few lines to this meeting desiring to come under the care of friends if she may be found worthy **Rhoda Tucker** and **Anne Eddy** are appointed to inspect the Sincerity of her mind therein and report when ready; **Elizabeth Chase** hath Sent a paper to this meeting her Diviating from the good order of friends in her marrying out of the <sup>good</sup> order established among them **Sarah Gifford** and **Rachel Maxfield** are appointed to inspect the Sincerity of her mind therein and report when ready; this meeting is inform'd from the mens they accepted **Thomas Allens** acknowledgment for Satisfaction whis [*sic*] meeting Concurs with

*E Chase*  
*acknowledg*  
*ment*

*T Allen*  
*accepted*

8 mo  
1789

Att a monthly meeting of women friends held in **Dartmouth** y<sup>e</sup> 17 of y<sup>e</sup> 8 month 1789

*Represen*  
*tatives*

Representatives from the South Preparitive meeting are **Elizabeth Howland** and **Barshabe Howland** and those from North are **Kezia Russell** and **Rhoda Mott** all preasent **Elizabeth Sanford** is appointed to inform **Rebecca Russell** of her denial and report to the next monthly meeting;

*R Russell*  
*denyed*  
*A Chase*  
*request*

**Abigal Chase** request refered under the care of the same friends Received an Epistle from our last Yearly meeting dated y<sup>e</sup> 12

*Epistles*  
*received*

of y<sup>e</sup> 6 month to y<sup>e</sup> 16 of the Same, with Transcripts from the Yearly meeting at **Philidelpia [Philadelphia]** bearing date from y<sup>e</sup> 29 of y<sup>e</sup> 9 mo to the 4 of the 10 mo inclusive 1788, and one from the Yearly meeting att **Westbury on long Island** bearing date the 30 of y<sup>e</sup> 5 mo to y<sup>e</sup> 4 of the 6 mo inclusive all which was read in this meeting to good Satisfaction;

*Committees*  
*Report of*  
*M Soul*

the Committee appointed to treat with **Mary Soul [Soule]** report they have had Several opportunities with her to a good degree of Satisfaction which this meeting with the Concurrence of the mens do accept. She causing her paper to be read in the Usial publick manner and return it to the Clerk to

*G Anthony*  
*A Smiths*  
*Intention*  
*of marriage*

go on record, **Gideon Anthony** and **Alice Smith** declared their intention of marriage with each other before this meeting and are desired to wait till next mo meeting for their Answer they having Consent of parents **Sarah Howland** and **Susanna allen** are appointed to inspect **Ailce Smiths** clearness respecting marriage and Conversation and report att the next monthly meeting; — — — — — — — — —

*E Chase*  
*received*

the friends appointed to inspect the sincerity of **Elizabeth Chases** Acknowledgment report they have taken the necessary care and think her to be Sincere in her [*illegible*] Acknowledgment which this meeting with the Concurrence of the mens takes up Satisfied with,

9 mo  
1789

att a monthly meeting of women friends held in **Dartmouth** y<sup>e</sup> 21 of y<sup>e</sup> 9 month 1789

*Representa*  
*tives*  
*called*

the Representatives from the South Preparitive meeting are **Deborah Gifford** and **Hannah Wood** and those from the North are **Patience Austin** and **Elizabeth Tripp** all preasent,

*M Souls  
Acknowledg  
ment read*

**Mary Souls [Soules]** acknowledgment hath been read agreeable to the Conclusion of last monthly meeting and is as follows, ——— these may inform that I have So far departed from the principles of truth as to keep Company out of the Unity of friends and likewise had a Child Soon after marriage for which I am sorry and do Condemn and desire friends to pass by my offences and lett me remain under your Christian care

**Mary Soul**

*A Chase  
referred  
R Russell  
informed  
A Smith  
received*

the matter of **Abigal Chase** is Still referd, — — — —  
**Elizabeth Sanford** report she hath informd **Rebecca Russell** of her denial, this meeting is informed from the mens they have received **Abraham Smiths** acknowledgment for satisfaction which this meeting Concurs with,

*S Butts  
disownd  
A Smiths  
clearness  
E Chase  
Certificate  
requested*

we are informed from **Sandwich** mo meeting they have disowned **Susanna Butts** from any right of membership with them the friends appointed to inspect **Alice Smith** clearness respecting marriage report they find nothing to hinder their proceeding, **Elizabeth Chase** desires a Certificate recommending her to [sic] **Hannah Mosher** and **Elizabeth Tripp** are appointed to take the necessary care and if nothing appears to hinder prepare one and bring to the next mo meeting;

*G Anthony  
A Smith  
their answer*

**Elizabeth Howland** is appointed to inform **Susanna Butts** of her denial and report to the next mo meeting

**Gideon Anthony** and **Ailce Smith** appeared for their answer which was they may proceed in marriag between this and the next mo meeting advising with the friends appointed to See the marriage orderly Conducted who are **Abigal Briggs** and **Sarah Howland** and they to report at the next mo meeting.

*Sent to  
Quarterly  
meeting*

the Queries and answers have been read and Consided in this meeting with the accounts and Sent to the Quarterly meeting by our Representatives who are **Kezia Russell Anne Eddy** and **Rhoda Tucker** and they to report att the next mo meeting,

*B Smith  
M Gifford  
Intention  
of marriage  
declared  
M Giffords  
clearness  
inspected*

**Benjamin Smith** and **Martha Gifford** proposed their intention of marriage <sup>^</sup>[?] with each other before this meeting and are desired to wait till next mo meeting for their answer,

*A Smith &  
C Anthony  
disownd*

**Hannah Wood** and **Mercy Slocum** are appointed to inspect **Martha Giffords** clearness respecting marriage and Conversation and report att the next mo meeting;

this meeting is inform'd from the mens they are about to disown **Abraham Smith** Son of **Samuel** and **Caleb Anthony** Son of **William** any right of membership with friends for marrying out of the order thereof which this meeting Unites

*10 mo  
1789*

Att a Monthly meeting of women friends held in  
**Dartmouth** y<sup>e</sup> 19 of y<sup>e</sup> 10 mo 1789

*Represen  
tatives  
called*

Representatives from the South preparitive are **Phebe Smith** & **Sarah Ricketson** and from the North **Rhoda Tucker** **Kezia Russell** all present

*10 mo*  
*1789*  
*G Anthony* the friends appointed to the care of **Gideon Anthonys** and **Ailce**  
*A Smith* **Smiths** marriage report they attended to their appointment  
*married* and discovered nothing but that it was Conducted orderly  
*returns from* the friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting inform  
*Quarterly* they all attended agreeable to appointment;  
*meeting* the friends appointed to inspect **Martha Giffords** clearness  
*M Giffords* respecting marriage report they find nothing to hinder  
*clearness* their Proceeding;  
  
*Committe* this meeting having been informed from the mens that  
*appointed* they have so far taken the advice transmited to them in  
*agreeable to* the Yearly meeting Epistle to choose Sutable friends to assist  
*yearly meetings* the Overseers and care over Society they thought best and  
*advice* do appoint a Committe for that purpose ~~which~~ with  
which this meeting Conkurs and Unites and appoints  
**Martha Gifford Martha Chase Deborah Davis Mercy Slocum**  
and **Rhoda Tucker** to join the Committe of men friends  
in that weighty Service;  
  
*Clerk reappointed* this meeting reappoints **Mercy Slocum** Clerk the insuing  
Year, this meeting reappoints <sup>^those friends</sup> that now stands  
as overseers for the year insuing all except **Rhoda Tucker**  
*Overseers* **Benjamin Smith** and **Martha Gifford** appear'd for answer  
*reappointed* which was they may proceed in marriage between this and  
*B Smith &* the next mo meeting advising with the friends appointed  
*M Gifford* to See their marriage Conducted orderly who are **Hannah**  
*answer* **Wood** and **Sarah Howland** and they to report the next mo meeting  
  
*C Condon* **Caleb Condon [Congdon]** and **Susanna Tabor [Taber]** **Abraham Tucker** and  
*S Tabor* **Hannah Shearman [Sherman]** declared their intentions of marriage with  
*A Tucker* each other before this meeting and are desired to wait till  
*H Shearman* the next mo meeting for their answer each couple having  
*intentions* Consent of parents, **Patience Austin** and **Zerviah Smith** are  
*of marriage* appointed to inspect **Susanna Tabors [Tabers]** clearness respecting  
*declared* marriage and Conversation **Joanna Gifford** are appointed to  
inspect **Hannah Shearmans [Shermans]** Clearness respecting marriag and  
Conversation and report to next mo meeting;  
  
*Catharine* **Catharine Sanford** formerly **Ricketson** hath presented a  
*Sanfords* paper to this meeting Condemning her marrying out of the  
*acknowledg* order of friends and likewise having a Child soon after  
*ment* marriage which is so far noticed as to be put under the care  
of a Committe who **Ailec Gifford Eliphah Slead [Slade]** and **Mary**  
*Committe* **Smith** and they to inspect the sincerity of her mind therein  
*appointed* and report when ready;  
read and Signd a removal Certificate for **Elizabeth Chase**  
wife to **John Chase** recommending her a member to **Acoakset [Acoaxet]**  
mo meeting,  
  
*H Maccomber* **Hannah Maccomber [Macomber]** hath sent a few lines to this meeting  
*bers* Condemning her keeping Company and marrying out of the  
*acknowledg* order of friends **Deborah Allen** and **Sarah Ricketson**  
*ment* are appointed to inspect her Sincerity therein and report  
*Committe* when ready,  
*appointed*

11mo  
1789

att a monthly meeting of women friends held in  
**Dartmouth** y<sup>e</sup> 16 of y<sup>e</sup> 11 mo 1789

*Representatives called*

Representatives from the South preparitive meeting are  
**Anne Eddy** and **Hannah Wood** and those from the North  
are **Elizabeth Rotch** and **Rhoda Tucker Hannah Wood** and **Anne Eddy** not present but Sent their reason which was to Satis

*S Potter received*

faction, this meeting is informed from the mens they are  
about to accept of **Stephen Potter**; into membership with friends  
which this meeting Concurs with;

*S Tabor H Shearman clearness*

the friends appointed to inspect **Susanna Tabor [Taber]** and **Hannah Shearmans [Shermans]** clearness respecting marriage and Conversation report  
that they find nothing to hinder their proceedings;

*C Sanford referd*

the matter of **Catharine Sanford** is referd another mo  
the mens meeting informs this they are about to deny **Hene**

*H Smith disownd*

**ry Smith** a right of membership with friends which this  
Meeting Unites and Concurs with;

*S Russell request*

**Silvia Russell** presented a few lines requesting to come under <sup>the care of friends</sup>  
if upon inspection She may be found worthy **Sarah Gifford** and  
**Rhoda Tucker** are appointed to inspect her her [*sic*] Sincerity and  
report when ready;

*C Condon S Tabor A Tucker Hannah Shearman Answer*

**Caleb Condon & Susanna Tabor Abraham Tucker & Hannah Shearman**  
appeared for their answer which was that was that each couple may  
proceed in marriage between this and the next mo meeting  
advising with the friends appointed to See their marriages  
Conducted orderly **Judith Russell** and **Patience Austin** to have the  
care of **Caleb Condon [Congdon]** and **Susanna Tabors [Tabers]** marriage, **Rhoda Tucker**

*Committee appointed*

& **Mary Tucker** are appointed to have the care of **Abraham Tucker** and **Hannah Shearmans [Shermans]** marriage to see them orderly Conducted and report  
to the next mo meeting;

*friends in Allens neck request meetings*

**Mary Tucker** and **Rhoda Tucker** are appointed to join the Com  
mittee of men to have under Consideration respecting the  
Petition of friends holding meetings in **Allens Neck** whe  
ther it may be best to grant it them or not and report  
at the adjournment of this meeting; —

*Committee appointed adjourns mett*

this meeting adjourns to the 7 of next mo

Mett by adjournment y<sup>e</sup> 7 of y<sup>e</sup> 12 mo 1789

*Committee report of B Smiths marriage*

Representatives called **Hannah Wood** and **Rhoda Tucker** present  
the friends appointed to Compile the answers and prepare accounts  
have presented which was read approved and signd by the Clerk  
and are Sent by our representatives before named and they to  
report at the next mo meeting;

the friends that had the care of **Benjamin Smith** and **Martha Giffords** marriage inform they fulfilled there appointment and  
discovered nothing but that it was Conducted orderly;

*M Macomber referd*

the Committee appointed to treat with **Hannah Maccomber [Macomber]** are  
not ready to report,

11 mo  
1789  
Committee  
to Correct  
minutes

**Mary Smith** and **Mercy Slocum** are appointed to View and Correct the mo meetings minutes in order to go on record and report when they have accomplished their service

Collected at the preparative meeting — 0-4<sup>s</sup>-6<sup>d</sup>

12 mo  
1789

att a monthly meeting of women friends held in  
**Dartmouth** y<sup>e</sup> 21 of y<sup>e</sup> 12 mo 1789

Representatives  
called

Representatives from the South Preparative meeting are  
**Elizabeth Sanford** and **Lucia Howland** and from the  
North **Deborah Davis** and **Rhoda Mott** all present;

**H Macomber**  
referred

the matter of **Hannah Macomber** [**Macomber**] is still refer'd,  
**Silvia Russell** is also refer'd,

**S Russell**  
referred

the friends appointed to attend the marriages of **Abraham**

**A Tucker**  
**H Shearman**

**Tucker** & **Hannah Shearman** [**Sherman**] **Caleb Condon** [**Congdon**] & **Susanna Tabor**  
[**Taber**]

**C Condon**  
**S Tabors**  
marriages  
attended

report they attended to their appointments and discoverd no  
thing but that they was Conducted orderly;

**C Sanfords**  
acknowledg  
ment  
accepted

the Committee appointed to have the care of **Catharine**  
**Sanfords** acknowledgment report. they have had a Solid op  
portunity with her to a good degree of Satisfaction which  
report this meeting with the Concurrence of the mens takes  
up Satisfied with She causing her paper to be read in the  
Usial Publick manner and return it to the Clerk to go  
on record,

**D Allens**  
acknowledg  
ment

**Deborah Allen** wife to **James Allen** hath Sent a paper  
to this meeting Condemning her outgoing **Anne Eddy** and  
**Rebecca Ricketson** are appointed to inspect the Sincerity of  
her mind therein and report when ready;

**Patience Austin** informs she attended the Quarterly me<sup>e</sup>ting lik  
wise the other friends;

**P Chase**  
Certificate  
returnd

**Patience Chase** some time past having had a Certificate  
from this meeting directed to the mo meeting at **Swansey** [**Swanzey**]  
which she now has return'd with an indorsment thereon,  
which was to Satisfaction;

request of  
friends in  
**allens neck**  
granted

this meeting is inform'd from the mens they have grantd  
the Petetion of friends in **Allens neck** agreable to their  
request with which this meeting Unites and do appoint  
a Committe to join the men to have the oversight thereof  
who are **Lucia Howland Elizabeth Slocum Joanna Gifford**  
and **Deborah Gifford** and they to report at the expiration  
thereof;

**W Gifford**  
**H Ricketson**  
denyed

This meeting is inform'd from the mens have denyed **Wilbor**  
**Gifford** and **Henery Ricketson** any right of membership with  
friends for marrying out of the Unity thereof which this  
meeting Concurs with;

**E Tucker**  
**A Gifford**  
intention of  
marriage  
declared

**Edward Tucker** and **Anna Gifford** dclared their intention  
of marriage with each other and are desired to wait till next  
mo meeting for their answer they having Consent of  
parents **Deborah Gifford** are appointed to inspect **Anna**  
**Giffords** clearness respecting marriage and Conversation  
and report to the next mo meeting

1 Mo  
1790

Att A Monthly Meeting of women friends held in

**Dartmouth** y<sup>eth</sup> 18<sup>d</sup> of y<sup>eth</sup> 1 mo 1790

*Representatives called* the Representatives from the South Preparative meeting are **Mary Tucker** and **Mary Smith** and from the North are **Rhoda Tucker** and **Rebecca Ricketson**, all present, except **Mary Tucker** who was prevented by sickness;

*D Allen referd* the matter of **Deborah Allen** is referd another mo under the same friends care with **Patience Austin** aded;

*A Chase received* the Committee that had the care of **Abigail Chases** request under care report they have had a Solid opportunity with her and think her to be Sincere in her request and that she may be received which this meeting with the Concurrence of the men, do accept and receive her into membership with friends;

the friends appointed to inspect **Anna Giffords** clearness

*E Tucker A Gifford did not appear for their answer* respecting marriag report they find nothing to hinder their proceeding; **Edward Tucker** and **Anna Gifford** did not appear for their answer by reason of Sickness and its referd till the next mo meeting

*A Smith Son & wife request for their children* **Patience Austin** and **Elizabeth Rotch** are appointed to join the Committe of men to visit the family of **Abraham Smith** and wifes requesting for their Children to be taken under the care of friends and report when ready; —

**Ailce Ricketson** hath brought a paper to this meeting Condemning her outgoings. **Jerusha Smith** **Martha Smith** and **Anne Eddy** are appointed to inspect the Sincerity and likewise to treat with **Elizabeth Slocum** wif to **Peleg Slocum J<sup>ur</sup>** for attending att an Entertainment of a marriage out of the Unity of friends and report when ready; **Silvia Russell** is referd another mo

2 mo  
1790

Att a monthly meeting of women friends held in

**Dartmouth** y<sup>e</sup> 15 of y<sup>e</sup> 2 mo 1790

*Representatives called* Representatives from the South preparative meeting are **Anne Eddy** and **Lucia Howland** and those from the North are **Elizabeth Tropp** [Tripp] and **Kezia Russell** all present;

*E Tucker A Gifford answer* **Edward Tucker** and **Anna Gifford** appeared for their answer which was they may proceed in marriage between this and the next mo meeting advising with the overseers that are

appointed to See their marriage Conducted orderly, who are **Hannah Wood** and **Mercy Slocum** and they to report to the next mo meeting, Received a Certificate from the mo meeting of

*R Howland Certificate* **Sandwich** in [behalf?] of **Rhoda Howland** wife to **Cornelius Howland** Recommending her a member to this meeting which is accepted,

*S Russell received* the Committee that had the care of **Silvia Russells** request report they have had Several Solid oppertunities with her and found So much Satisfaction think She may be received which <sup>^report</sup> this meeting with the Concurrence of the men do accept and and receive her into membership with friends;

2 mo  
1790  
**London**  
Epistle  
Com<sup>te</sup>  
not ready  
to report  
Treasurer  
P 5 of the  
Meetings  
Stock  
Audits  
appointed

an Epistle from **London** was read in this meeting dated y<sup>e</sup> 9 of the 6 mo 1789 to good Satisfaction, the Committe appointed to treat with **Ailce Ricketson Silvia Soul [Soule]** and **Elizabeth Slocum** are not ready to report, the Treasurer Informs this meeting She has disbusted 5<sup>s</sup> of the meetings money, this meeting appoints **Phebe Smith** and **Mary Tucker** as Audits to examin the Overseers accounts and Settle with the Treasurer for the insuing year,

3 mo  
1790  
Representati  
ves called  
**E Tucker &**  
**A Giffords**  
marriage  
attended

Att A monthly meeting of women friends held in, **Dartmouth** y<sup>e</sup> 15 of y<sup>e</sup> 3 mo 1790 Representatives from the South Preparitive meeting are **Anna Eddy** and **Elizabeth Sanford** and from the North are **Zerviah Smith** and **Elizabeth Tripp** all preasent, **Mercy Slocum** informs She <sup>with the other friend</sup> attended the marriage of **Edward Tucker** and **Anna Gifford** and discovered nothing but that it was Conducted orderly;

**A Smiths**  
Children  
received

the Committe appointed to join the to Visit the family of **Abraham Smith** on account of their Requesting for their Children to be taken under the care of friends report they have had an oppertunity with the family and think it may be Safe to receive them into membership with friends which report is accepted and their names are **Stephen Mary Zerviah Abigal Abraham** and **Rebecca Smith**, —

**S Allens**  
munit  
returnd  
**A Ricketson**  
accepted

**Susanna Allen** hath returned the Ccopy of the munit which she had with an indorcment thereon Signifying her Visit was to Satisfaction from the mo meeting at **Saratoga**; the Committe that had the care of **Ailce Ricketson** wife to **Henery Ricketsons** acknowledgment report they Visited her and found So much Satisfaction they think her acknowledgment may be accepted which report with the Concurrence of the men takes up Satisfied with,

**D Allen**  
accepted

the friends appointed to the care of **Deborah Allen** wife to **James Allen**, report they have taken the necessary care and think her to be Sincere in her acknowledgment which this meeting with the Concurrence of the mens do accept She causing her paper to be read in the Usial Publick man ner and return it to the Clerk to go on, record, and is as follows,

Whereas I have so far deviated, from the truth, ~~as to fall~~ as to fall into the Sin of fornication, which caused me to marry out of the Unity of friends, all which I am Sincerely Sorry for, and do Condemn, and desire, that friends so far pass by my offence, as to let me remain under your care from your friend



*E Shepard* **Harper Borman [Bowerman] and Elizabeth Shepard [Shepherd]**  
*T Gidley* **Thomas Gidley and Martha Gifford Jonathan Russell and**  
*M Gifford* **Zerviah Howland** all declared their intention of marriage  
*J Russell* with other and are desired to wait till next mo<sup>o</sup> meeting  
*Z Howland* for their answer, each couple having Consent of parents,  
*marriage*  
*declared*

*3 mo*  
*1790*  
*Committee*  
*appointed*

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**Jerusha Smith and Joanna Gifford** are appointed to inspect the young  
womens Clearness respecting marriage and Conversation and report  
to the next monthly meeting,

*Sent to*  
*Quarterly*  
*meeting*

the Queries and answers with the accounts have been read and  
Considred in this meeting, and are to be forwarded up to our Quarterly  
meeting by our Representatives whow are **Elizabeth Tripp** and  
**Rhoda Tucker** and they to report to the next mo<sup>o</sup> meeting,

*P & S Allen*  
*acknowled*  
*gment*

**Peleg** and **Susanna Allen** hath Sent a paper to this meeting  
Condemning their misconduct **Zerviah Smith** and **Sarah Howland**  
are appointed to join the Committe of men to inspect the  
Sinerity of their minds therein and report when ready, —

*C Condon*  
*disownd*

this meeting is informd from the mens they have denyed **Caleb**  
**Condon [Congdon]** any right of membership with friends with which this  
meeting Unites and Concurs with,

At a Monthly Meeting of Women friends held in **Dartmouth** y<sup>e</sup> 19  
of y<sup>e</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> 1790

*Representa*  
*tive Cal'd*

The friends Appointed to attend the Monthly Meeting from the  
South Preparative Meeting are **Jerusha Smith** and **Elizabeth Sandford [Sanford]**  
and those from the North are **Kezia Russel [Russell]** and **Elefell Slade** all  
present.

*Sent to Q*  
*Meeting*

The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting Inform  
they attended agreeable to appointment

*E Tucker*  
*A Gifford*  
*[?] Attended*

**Hannah Wood** Informs She attended the Marriage of **Edward**  
**Tucker** and **Anna Gifford** and discover'd Nothing but that is [it]  
was Conducted in a good degree Orderly

*Isaac Smith*  
*Received*

This Meeting is Inform'd from the Mens they Granted the  
Request of **Jerusha Smith** on Account of her Son **Isaac Smith**  
being taken into Membership with friends which this Meeting  
Unites with

*E Shepherds*  
*Clearness*  
*M Giffords*  
*Z Howland*  
*Clearness*

The friends appointed to make Inquiry into the Clearness  
and Conversation of **Elizabeth Shepherd Martha Gifford** and  
**Zurviah Howland** clearness Respecting Marriage report they find  
Nothing to Hinder their proceedings

*H Borman*  
*E Shepherd*  
*T Gidley*  
*M Gifford*  
*J Russell*  
*Z Howland*  
*Answer*

**Harper Borman [Bowerman] and Elizabeth Shepherd Thomas Gildley [Gidley] and**  
**Martha Gifford Jonathan Russel [Russell] and Zurviah Howland** all  
Appeard for their Answer which was that Each Couple might  
proceed in Marriage between this and Next Monthly Meeting  
Advising with the friends appointed to see their Marriagees  
Solemnized and Conducted Orderly who are **Martha Chase**

And

4 m<sup>o</sup>  
1790

Committee  
Appointe  
to Oversee  
the Marriages

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And **Jerusha Smith** to have the Oversight of **Harbor Borman** [**Harper? Bowerman**] and **Elizabeth Shepherd** Marriage **Sarah Howland** and **Sarah Howland Gifford** are to have the oversight of **Jonathan Russell** and **Zerviah Howland**. **Elizabeth Slocum** and **Mercy Slocum** to have the Oversight of **Thomas Gidley** and **Martha Gifford** Marriage and they to See those Marriages Solemnized and Conducted orderly and to report to the next Monthly Meeting

**H Smith**  
**S Russell**  
Intentions  
Declar'd

**Hezekiah Smith** and **Silvia Russell** declar'd their Intentions of Marriage with each other before this Meeting and are desir'd to wait till the next Monthly Meeting for their Answer **Sarah Gifford** and **Lucia Howland** are appointed

**S Russells**  
Clearness Inspected

to Inspect **Silvia Russell** Clearness respecting Marriage and Conversation and report to the next Monthly Meeting

**P Allen**  
& Wife  
Refer'd  
**E Slocum**  
Accepted

The Matter of **Peleg Allen** and Wife is refer'd another month also **Silvia Soul** [**Soule**] is still refer'd under the Same friends Care. The friends that treated with **Elizabeth Slocum** wife of **Peleg Slocum** the third Report they have had a Solid Opportunity with her to their Satisfaction which report this Meeting with the Concurrence of the Mens is accepted

**R Ricketsons**  
Outgoing

**Rebecka Ricketson** [**Ricketson**] Wife of **Abram Ricketson** [**Ricketson**] hath Sent a few lines to this Meeting Condemning her outgoing **Anna Eddy** and **Mercy Slocum** are appointed to Inspect the Sincerity thereof and report when ready

This Meeting is Inform'd from the Mens that it is the Conclusion of that Meeting for our Meetings to be held at the houses of **Barnabas Russell** and **James Allens** two Meeting of Worship to be held on first days and fourth days one at the house of **James allens** the other at the house of **Barnabas Russell** or Such other places as the Committe thinks best and the Preparative Meetings to be <sup>held</sup> Alternately at the Said Houses beginning at the house of **Barnabas**

5<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup>  
1790

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**Russell** and this Meeting appoints **Lucia Howland Sarah Gifford** and **Mercy Slocum** to Join the Committe of Men to have the Oversight of them Meetings held at **James Allens Martha Smith** and **Sarah Howland** at the house of **Barnabas Russell** and report at the Preparative Meeting

5<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup>  
1790

At a Monthly Meeting of Women friends held at **Newtown** for **Dartmouth** th 17 of th 5 m<sup>o</sup> 1790 the friends appointed to attend the Monthly Meeting from the South preparative Meeting and **Sarah Howland** and **Lucia Howland** and from the North are **Rachel Maxfield** and **Rebecka Ricketson** [**Ricketson**] all present.

**H Borman**  
**E Shepherd**

The friends appointed to attend the Marriages of **Harbour** [**Harper?**]

*T Gidley  
M Gifford  
J Russell  
Z Howland  
Marriages  
Attended*

**Borman [Bowerman] and Elizabeth Shepherd. Thomas Gidley and Martha Gifford Jonathan Russell and Zurviah Howland** all attended except **Mercy Slocum** and did not discover but they were Conducted orderly **Gidith Gifford** hath Sent a few lines to this Meeting desiring to Come under the Care of friends if after Inspection She may be found worthy which is put under the Care of a Committee **Rhoda Mott and Patience Austins [Austin]** and they to Report when ready. The Matter of **Silvia Soul [Soule]** is still refer'd under the Same friends Care. The Committe appointed to treat with

*Silvia Russels  
Clearness Inspected*

**Peleg Allen** and Wife Inform that a Care is taken but not ready to report. The Friends appointed to Inspect **Silvia Russels [Russells]** Clearness respecting Marriage and Conversation report they find nothing to hinder their proceeding they having Consent of Parents **Hezekiah Smith** and **Silvia Russell** appear'd for their Answer which was they may proceed to take Each other in Marriage between this and the next Monthly Meeting advising with the friends appointed to Se the Marriage Solemnized and Conducted orderly who are **Lucy Howland** and **Sarah Howland** and they to report to the Next Monthly Meeting

*H Smith  
S Russell  
Answer*

This Meeting is Inform'd from the Monthly Meeting at **Saratoga** that **Elizabeth Dennis** formerly **Shearman [Sherman]** hath Married with one not a Member with friends which she being Labourd with for and it not having the desird affect have Testafied against her She being a formerly a Member of this

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*6<sup>th</sup> m<sup>e</sup>  
1790*

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Of this Meeting and we unite with it having the Mens Concurrence therein

*6<sup>th</sup> m<sup>e</sup>  
1790*

At A Monthly Meeting of Women friends held at **Bedford [New Bedford]** for **Dartmouth** th 21 of th 6 m<sup>e</sup> 1790

*Representatives  
Called*

The Representatives for the South Preparative Meeting are **Sarah Howland** and **Mary Smith** and from the North **Kezia Russell** and **Rachel Maxfield** all present.

The Clerk being Absent this Meeting appoints **Deborah Davis** Clerk for the day

**Sarah Howland** Report She attended the Marriage of **Hezekiah Smith** and **Silvia Russell** and <sup>^discovered</sup> Nothing but that it was Conducted orderly the other friend under the Same Appointment Renderd a Reasonable excuse for not attendeng

The friends that had the Care of **Gidiths Giffords** request are not ready to make report the Matter is therefore Continued under their Care. The Case of **Peleg Allen** and Wife is still refer'd and under the Same friends Care.

*Sent to  
Quarterly  
Meeting*

The Queries and Answers with the Accounts was Read Approv'd and Sign'd by the Clerk and Sent up to the Quarterly Meeting by our Representatives who are **Martha Smith Patience Austin** and **Judith Russell**

**Elizabeth Drinker** attended this Meeting with her

*Elizabeth  
Drinkers  
Certificate*

Certificate from the Monthly Meeting at **Philidelphia [Philadelphia]**  
Signed the 30<sup>th</sup> of the 4<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1790 whose Company and Labour  
has timely acceptable to us. And one for her Companion  
**Hannah Yerkes** an Elder from the **Nothern Destrict**  
Monthly Meeting held at **Philidelphia [Philadelphia]** <sup>th</sup> 25 of <sup>th</sup> 5 m<sup>o</sup>  
**Rebecka Riketson [Ricketson]** Acknowledgment is Refer'd another  
month under the Same friends Care

*M Howland  
& Wife Certificate  
Receiv'd*

We are Inform'd from the Mens Meeting that they  
have receiv'd **Mathew Howland** Certificate from **Sandwich**  
Monthly Meeting for himself his Wife **Abigail** and their  
Children whose names are **Joseph** <sup>Allen George</sup> **Cornelius Abigail** and  
**Wing** which we unite with

*7<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup>  
1790*

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*C<sup>m</sup> Report  
Meetings on  
the Neck*

The Committe that had the Oversight of the Meeting  
in **Slocums** and **Allens Neck** Report that all the  
Meeting were kept and attended in some good degree  
orderly the Midweek Meeting not So Generally as those  
on first days

*7<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup>  
1790*

At A monthly Meeting of Women friends held at **Bedford [New Bedford]**  
for **Dartmouth** th 19 of <sup>th</sup> 7<sup>mo</sup> 1790

*Representatives  
Called*

The friends Appointed to attend the Monthly Meeting  
from the South Preparative are **Hannah Hood** and **Lucy Howland**  
and from the North **Rhoda Tucker** and **Rebecca Riketson [Ricketson]** all  
present except **Lucy Howland** She being unwell

*R Riketsons  
Acknowledgment  
Receiv'd*

The Committe appointed to treat with **Rebecca Riketson [Ricketson]**  
**J<sup>unr</sup>[?]** Report they have had Several Solid Opportunitys with her  
to A degree of Satisfaction which report this Meeting with the  
Concurrence of the Mens takes up Satisfied with

*Judith  
Gifford receiv'd*

The Committee that had the Care of **Judith Giffords**  
Request report they have had Several Solid Opportunitys with  
her and think She may be received which report with the  
Concurrence of the Men we do accept and receive her unto

*Comt to treat  
with Hulda  
& Charlotta  
Wilbour*

Membership with friends. **Hulda Wilbour [Wilbur]** and **Charlotta  
Wilbour [Wilbur]** hath Sent a paper to this Meeting Condemning their  
Attending at a place where was Musick and dancing **Mercy Slocum**  
and **Mary Tucker** are appointed to treat with them on that  
Account and report when Ready.

*Epistles  
from Yearly  
Meeting*

Received an Epistle from our last Yearly Meeting of Women  
friends held at **Rhodeland [Rhode Island]** bearing date the <sup>th</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> of <sup>th</sup> 6<sup>mo</sup> to the  
15 of the Same Inclusive 1790 with transcrips of the **Philidelphia [Philadelphia]**  
Epistle dated <sup>th</sup> 28 of <sup>th</sup> 9<sup>mo</sup> to the 3<sup>th</sup> of <sup>th</sup> 10<sup>mo</sup> and one from  
**Wesbury [Westbury]** on **Long Island** Dated from <sup>th</sup> 27 of <sup>th</sup> 5<sup>mo</sup> to the third of  
the 6<sup>mo</sup> 1790 all which was read in this Meeting to good Satisfaction  
much Salutary Advice Contain'd therein with Extracts from the  
Yearly and Quarterly Meeting ~~Meeting~~ that it is Concluded that  
the Quarterly Meeting held at **Dartmouth** in the 10<sup>mo</sup> be in future  
held the first Sixth day ~~in~~ of the Month

8<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup>  
1790  
Cer<sup>t</sup> granted  
to Ministers

And it is further Concluded that Certificates granted to Ministering friends whose Concern may Extend out of the Limits of the Yearly Meeting may be best Signed at Large in the Monthly Meeting by friends in their freedom both Men and Women

In Consequence of a ~~Committe~~ request from a Committe of our last Quarterly Meeting appointed to attend our Meetings it is Concluded that our Preparative Meetings for th 9<sup>mo</sup> be held the South on the 27<sup>th</sup> the North on the 28<sup>th</sup> and our Monthly Meetings on th 29 of the Said 9<sup>mo</sup>. The friends appointed to Attend the Quarterly Meeting Inform they all attended agreeable to apointment

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1790

At A monthly Meeting of Women Friends held at **Bedford** [New Bedford] for **Dartmouth** th 16 of th 8<sup>mo</sup> 1790

Representatives  
Called

The friends appointed to attend the Monthly Meeting from the South Preparative Meeting are **Deborah Gifford** and **Mary Smith** and those from <sup>the</sup> North are **Hannah Mosher** and **Elizabeth Trip** [Tripp] all present

**Hulda &  
Charlotta**  
Referd

The Matter of **Hulda** and **Charlotta Wilbour** [Wilbur] is Referd Another month under the Same friends Care

**Hugh Judge**  
Certificate

Our Esteemed Friend **Hugh Judge** attended this Meeting with a Certificate from the Monthly Meeting att **Wilmington Newcastle** County on **Deleware** [Delaware] dated th 13<sup>th</sup> of th 1<sup>mo</sup> 1790 whose Gospel Labours amongst us hath been truly Acceptable. And his Companion **James Mott** presented a Copy of A munute from **Purchase** Monthly Meeting held at **Mamaroneck** dated th 10 of the 6<sup>mo</sup> 1790 an Elder in unity with that Meeting

**Lydia Woods**  
Certificate

Received A Certificate from the Monthly Meeting At S<sup>d</sup>[?] **Newport** in behalf of **Lidia Wood** Recommending her as A Member to this Meeting dated the 27<sup>th</sup> of th 7<sup>mo</sup> 1790

**H Maccumber**  
Refer'd  
Complaint  
Against **E  
Smith**

**Hannah Maccumber** [Macomber] is still refer'd under the same friends care

The Overseers have handed on a report of their Labour with **Elizabeth Smith** on account of her attending at a place of diversion and being the Mother of A Child in an Unmarried State they not meeting with Satisfaction thought best to lay it before the Monthly Meeting. **Edith Anthony** hath handed a paper

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1790

**Edith Anthony**  
under dealing

to this Meeting Condemning her Misconduct **Mary Tucker** and **Sarah Gifford** are appointed to treat with them the Said **Elizabeth Smith** and **Edith Anthony** as truth may direct and Report when Ready

**M Wood  
R Brigs**  
declar their  
Intentions

**Malborough Wood** and **Roba Brigs** [Briggs] declared their Intentions of Marriage with Each other before this Meeting and they are desir'd to wait till next Monthly Meeting for their Answer they having Consent of Parents **Hannah Wood** and **Sarah Gifford** are appointed to Inspect **Roba Brigs** [Briggs] Clearness respecting Marriage and Conversation and report to the next Monthly Meeting.

**Bethia Wadys**  
paper presented

**Bethia Wady** presented a paper to this Meeting Condemning her Misconduct **Deborah Davis Sarah Howland** and **Mercy Slocum** are appointed to Inspect the Sincerity thereof and report when ready. **Abigail Brigs** [Briggs] Informs

A **Brigs**

this Meeting She is about to remove within the verge of **Saratoga**

*Requests A Certificate* Monthly Meeting and desires our Certificate **Mary Smith** and **Deborah Gifford** are appointed to take the Necessary Care and if they find

nothing to hinder prepare one and bring to the next Monthly Meeting  
This Meeting is Inform'd from the Mens that it is Concluded that  
our next monthly Meeting be held at **Newtown** at the usual time

*9<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup>  
1790* At a Monthly Meeting of Women friends held at **Newtown**  
for **Dartmouth** 2<sup>th</sup> of the 9<sup>mo</sup> 1790

*Representatives Called* The friends appointed to attend the Monthly Meeting from  
the South Preparative Meeting are **Mary Smith** and **Lucy Howland**  
and those from the north are **Elizabeth Tripp** and **Patience Austin**  
all present except **Patience Austin** who was unwell

*R Brigs  
Clearness  
M Wood &  
R Brigs  
Answer* The friends appointed to inspect **Roba Brigs [Briggs]** Clearness respecting  
Marriage and Conversation report they find nothing to hinder their  
Proceeding. **Malborough Wood** and **Roba Brigs [Briggs]** appear for their  
Answer which was they mought proceed in Marriage between this  
and the Next Monthly Meeting advising with the friends  
appointed to See the Marriages Solemnized and Conducted orderly  
who are **Lucy Howland** and **Mary Smith** and they to report to  
the Next Monthly Meeting. The friends appointed to

*A Brigs  
Cert Sign'd* prepare a Certificate for **Abigail Brigs [Briggs]** have presented one  
which was <sup>read</sup> approv'd and Sign'd in this and the Mens Meeting and

*R Smith  
Acc<sup>t</sup> receiv'd* Directed to the Monthly Meeting at **Saratoga**. **Roba Smith**  
hath presented a paper to this Meeting Condemning her attending  
a Marriage out of the Unity of friends which is accepted

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*9<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup>  
1792  
M<sup>t</sup> ajourns* This Meeting Agourns to the 29<sup>th</sup> of this Month at **Aponaganset [Apponagansett]**  
after the Meeting for worship

*Met Rp<sup>t</sup>  
Called  
P Allen &  
Wife Ac<sup>t</sup>  
Accepted* Met by Ajournment <sup>th</sup> 29<sup>th</sup> of <sup>th</sup> 9 m<sup>o</sup> 1790  
Representatives Called all present. The Committe appointed  
to treat with **Peleg Allen** and Wife report they have had Several  
Solid opportunitys with them to Some degree of Satisfaction which  
is accepted by this and the mens Meeting they Causing it to be  
read in the usual Publick manner and return it to the Clerk  
to go on record which is as follows

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*Sent to the  
Quarterly  
Meeting* The Queries and Answers with the accounts have been read  
and Considerd in this and are to be forwarded up to the Quarterly  
Meeting by our Representatives who are **Rhoda Tucker** and  
**Patience Austin** and they to report to the next Monthly Meeting

*W<sup>m</sup> Sandford  
Disowned* This Meeting is Inform'd from the mens they have Concluded  
to disown **William Sandford [Sanford] Jun<sup>r</sup>** any right of Membership with

*10<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup>*

1790 Friends which this Meeting Concurs With

*A Russell  
Disown'd*

**Abijael Russell** presented a paper to this Meeting for being at an Entertainment where was Musick and dancing and attending A marriage out of the unity of friends **Jerusha Smith** and **Deborah Allen** are appointed to Inspect the Sincerity thereof and report when ready. This Meeting being Likewise Inform'd by the

*Ezra Russell  
Disown'd*

men they have Concluded to disown **Ezra Russass [Russell]** any right of Membership with friends which this Meeting Concurs with

*E Smith  
E Anthony*

**Elizabeth Smith** and **Elizabeth Anthony** is refer'd another month

*referd*

*11<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup>*

*1791[sic]*

At A monthly Meeting of Women friends held at **New Bedford** for **Dartmouth** <sup>th</sup> 18 of <sup>th</sup> 10 <sup>mo</sup> 1790

*Representatives  
Called*

Representatives appointed to attend the Monthly Meeting from the South Preparative Meeting are **Deborah allen** and **Mercy Slocum** and those from the North are **Rhoda Tucker** And **Elizabeth Tripp** all present **Lucy Howland** Informs agreeable to appointed She attended the Marriage of **Molborough Wood** and **Roba Briggs [Briggs]** and discover'd nothing but that it was Conducted Orderly. **Edith Athony [Anthony]** is refer'd another month.

*Edith Anthony  
Referd*

*Returns from*

*Quarterly Meeting*

The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting Inform that they attended agreeable to appointment

The Committe appointed to treat with **Elizabeth Smith** report a necessary Labour hath been bestow'd and they not meeting with Satisfaction this Meeting appoints **Anna Eddy** and **Mary Tucker** to draw a publick denial against her and bring to the next Monthly Meeting. Received A Certificate from

*E litle's  
Certificate*

the Monthly Meeting of **Accoakset [Acoaxet]** in behalf of **Elizabeth Little** Wife to **Barker Little** and Such of her Children as are Members

*P Scranton  
Paper*

whose names are **Lidia Nathaniel Charles Rebecca Zurviah** and **Silvester Little** which is accepted. **Phebe Scranton**

hath Sent a few lines to this Meeting Condemning her Outgoings **Deborah Hicks Jerusha Smith** and **Rhoda Tucker** to treat <sup>^</sup>with her as truth may direct and report when ready. This Meeting is

*H Russell  
Disown'd*

Inform'd from the mens they are about to deny Unity with **Holder Russell** which this Meeting Concurs with

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1790*

*B Wady*

*Ac<sup>k</sup> Accepted*

The Committe appointed to treat with **bethia Wady** report they have had A solid opportunity with her and think her to be sincere <sup>^</sup>in her acknowledgment which is accepted She Causing it to be read in the usual publick manner and return it to the Clerk to go on record which is a follow

To the Monthly Meeting of friends in **Dartmouth**

Whereas I some time past attended the funeral of **Theodate Wait** and there in the face of the people asked Liberty of the head of the family for a man not a Member of our Society to

*B Wady's  
Acknowledgment*

preach which Conduct of mine brought a reproach on our religious Society which I am Sorry for and do condemn hoping I shall be more careful in future

**Bethia Wady**

**Dartmouth** 17<sup>th</sup> of <sup>th</sup> 9<sup>mo</sup> 1790

11<sup>th</sup> 1790 At A monthly Meeting of Women friends held at **Dartmouth** th 15<sup>th</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> 1790

*Representa  
Called* The friends appointed to attend the the Monthly Meeting from the South Preparative Meeting are **Elizabeth Howland** and **Jerusha Smith** and from the north are **Kezia Russell** and **Rhoda Tucker** all present.

*E Anthony  
A Russells  
Ac<sup>k</sup> Accepted* The Committe appointed to inspect the Sincerity of **Edith Anthony** and **Abigail Russell** acknowledgment report they have taken the necessary Care and think them to be Sincere which report this Meeting with the Concurrence of the men takes up Satisfied with **Phebe Scranton** is Refer'd another month under the Same friends Care.

*P Scranton  
Referd*

*E Smiths  
Denial* The friends appointed to draw a Testimony of Denial against **Elizabeth Smith** have presented one which was read approv'd and Signd by **Mercy Slocum** Clerk and orderd to be read in the usual Publick manner and is as follows

**Elizabeth Smith** Daughter of **D[e]liverence Smith** deceas'd having had Aright of Membership with friends but through Unwatchfulness and Disobedience to the Divine Law written in her own hert hath So far deviated truth as to be the Mother of a Child in an Unmarried State and friends having Labourd with her in order to bring her to a right Sense

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of the Evil of her reproachful Conduct but their Labours not having the desir'd affect to friends Satisfaction therefore we are Concern'd to Give this forth as a Testimony against Such Conduct hereby disowning her the Said **Elizabeth Smith** from being any longer a member of our Society untill she shall Manifest a Sincere repentance and be restor'd to the way of truth which is our desire given forth at our Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 15<sup>th</sup> of <sup>th</sup> 11<sup>mo</sup> 1790 Signed in and by order of Said Meeting by **Mercy Slocum** Clerk

*Hulda &  
Charlotta  
Wilbour accepted*

The Committe appointed to Inspect the Sincerity of **Huldah** and **Charlotta Wilbour** [**Wilbur**] acknowledgments report they have had an Opportunity with them to a degree of Satisfaction which with the Concurrence of the men is accepted.

*M Chase  
Request*

**Mary Chase** hath presented a paper to this Meeting requesting to Come under the Care of friends and under Consideration thereof this Meeting appoints **Martha Chase** and **Experience Hart** to Inspect the Sincerity thereof and report when ready

**Sarah** and **Rachel** <sup>^Weaver</sup> requests a few lines recommending them to **Accoakset** [**Acoaxet**] Monthly Meeting **Mary Devol** [**Davol**] and **Elizabeth**



*Sarah & Rachel  
Weaver requests  
Certificates*

**Tripp** are appointed to prepare Certificates and bring to the next monthly Meeting if they find nothing to hinder

*Sent to  
Quarterly  
Meeting*

The Queries and Answers with the accounts have been read Considerd and Sign'd in this Meeting and are to be forwarded up to the Quarterly Meeting by our Representatives who are **Deborah Davis** and **Sarah Howland** and **Rhoda Tucker** and they to report to the next monthly Meeting.

*Request to  
hold Meetings*

The friends in **allens Neck** have requested the holding Meetings in their Neighbourhood the Ensuing Winter and under Consideration thereof this Meeting appoints **Martha Chase Smith** **Joanna Gifford** and **Martha Chase** to Join the Committe of men friends to make them a visit and report to the next monthly Meeting their Sense on the matter

*12<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup>  
1790  
Representatives  
Called*

At A Monthly Meeting of Women friends held in **Dartmouth** th 20<sup>th</sup> 12<sup>mo</sup> 1790 the friends appointed to attend the Monthly Meeting from the South Preparative Meeting are **Lucy Howland** and **Elizabeth Sandford** [**Sanford**] and those from the North are **Freelove Gifford** and

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1790*

**Experience Hart** all present **Elizabeth Smith** denial hath been read agreeable to the Conclusion of this last Monthly Meeting

*M Chase  
Receiv'd*

The Committe that had the Care of **Mary Chases** request report they have had a Solid Opportunity with her to a degree of Satisfaction and think She may be admitted into Membership with friends which report this Meeting with the Concurrence of the Mens do accept and receive her into Membership.

*P Scranton  
Accepted*

The Committe appointed to Inspect the Sincerity of **Phebe Scrantons** Acknowledgment likewise report they have had a Solid opportunity with her and think her to be Sincere which with the Concurrence of the Men this Meeting takes up Satisfied with. The friends appointed to prepare

*S & Rachel  
Weaver Cer'  
Sign'd*

A Certificate for **Sarah** and **Rachel Weaver** have presented one which was read approv'd and Sign'd by the Clerks of this and the Mens Meeting and directed to the Monthly Meeting at **Akoakset** [**Acoaxet**].

*O Tripp  
Disownd*

This Meeting is Inform'd from the mens that they have Concluded to disown **Othniel Tripp** from any right of Membership with friends which meets the Concurrence of this Meeting

*Returns from  
Q' Meeting*

Two of the friends appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting Inform they attended agreeable to appointment the Other Sent a Satisfactory reason for not attending

*Meetings in  
Allens Neck  
Granted*

The Committe appointed to make a visit to the friends in **allens neck** report they have weightily Considerd the matter and think it may be well for S<sup>d</sup> request to be granted and to hold Meeting on first and fifth days untill the Monthly Meeting in the third month next except on the 5 day in which

our Meeting for dicipline may be held. One fourth part of the time at **Timothy Giffords** one fourth at **Peleg Slocums** one fourth at **Elijah Giffords** and one fourth at **Susannah allens** and under the Care of a Committe who are **Martha Smith Hannah Wood Mercy Slocum** and **Elizabeth Howland** to join the Committe of men and report at the Expiration of S<sup>d</sup> time

*L Potters  
Acknowledgment*

**Lidia Potter** wife to **Joshua Potter** hath Sent a paper to this Meeting Condemning her outgoings **Rhoda Tucker Rhoda Mott** and **Deborah Davis** are appointed to Inspect the Sincerity thereof and report when ready

*2<sup>d</sup> m<sup>o</sup>  
1791*

**1003**

*Representativ  
Called*

At Monthly Meeting of Women friends held in **Dartmouth** th 17<sup>th</sup> of th 1<sup>mo</sup> 1791 Representatives appointed to attend the Monthly Meeting from the South Preparative Meeting are **Anna Eddy** and **Jerusha Smith** and those from the North are **Susanna Russell** and **Elizabeth Tripp**. This Meeting Adjourns the the [*sic*] 26<sup>th</sup> of this Instant on Account of the Severity of the Weater

*M<sup>r</sup> Ajourns*

*Mett*

Mett by Ajournment 26<sup>th</sup> of th 1<sup>mo</sup> 1791

*Representatives  
Called*

Representatives Called two present the other Sent the reason of their Absence which was to Satisfaction

*B Wady  
paper read*

**Bethia Wadys** paper hath been read agreeable to the Conclusion of the Monthly Meeting

*L Potter  
Referd*

The Matter of **Lidia Potter** is refer'd another month Receiv'd a Certificate from **Rhodisland [Rhode Island]** Monthly Meeting on behalf of **Lidia Shepher'd [Shepherd]** who had resided there for a time

*London Epistle  
read*

An Epistle from the Yearly Meeting at **London** was presented from the mens Meeting and read in this to good Satisfaction. We are Inform'd from the mens

*W Hart  
& P Slocum  
Denied*

Meeting they Concluded to disown **William Hart** and **Peleg Slocum the 3<sup>d</sup>** from any right of Membership which this Meeting unites with. This Meeting appoints

*Audits  
Appointed*

**Mary Tucker** an overseer of the poor in room of **Sarah Howland** who declines it. **Jerusha Smith** is appointed to be one of the Committe to Se<sup>t</sup>tle with the treasurer

*Committees  
Report of  
the Meetings*

The Committe that had the Care of the Meetings in the Summer report that the Meetings held at **James Allens** <sup>^was kept</sup> up to good Satisfaction but that at **Barnabas Russels [Russells]** house was not so well Attended as Could be desir'd

*Representatives  
Called*

At A Monthly Meeting of Women friends held in **Dartmouth** 21<sup>th</sup> of th 2<sup>mo</sup> 1791 The friends appointed to attend the Monthly Meeting from the South Preparative Meeting are **Sarah Howland**

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And **Jerusha Smith** and from the North **Kezia Russell** and **Rhoda Tucker** all present.

*L Potters  
Acknowledgment  
Accepted*

The Committe appointed to Inspect the Sincerity of **Lidia Potters** mind in regard to her acknowledgment report they have had a Solid Opportunity with and think her to be Sincere. Which report this Meeting with the Concurrence of the men do accept She Causing her Paper to be read in the usual Publick manner and Return it to the Clerk to go on record which is as follows

To the Monthly Meeting of Women friends at **Dartmouth** to be held 21<sup>th</sup> day of 12<sup>mo</sup> 1790

Respected friends whereas I did so far depart from the principles of truth as to keep Company and Marry Out of the ~~unity of friends~~ Good order Establish'd amongst us friends also fell into the Sin of fornication as appears by my having a Child so soon after Marriage all which I am Sorry for and do condemn Desiring friends to pass by my offences and receive me again into Membership if I may be found worthy this from your well wishing friend  
**Lydia Potter**

*S Souls Ac<sup>k</sup>  
Accepted*

The Commtte appointed to treat with **Silvia Soul [Soule]** Report they have had Several Solid Opportunitys with her to their Satisfaction and think her to be Sincere which report this Meeting with the Concurrence of the Men takes up Satisfied with. **Obadiah Butler** and **Elaphl**

*O Butler  
& Wife under  
Dealing*

his Wife hath presented a paper to this Meeting Condemning their Outgoings **Judith Russell** and **Rhoda Tucker** are Appointed to Inspect the Sincerity of S<sup>d</sup> Acknowledgment and report when ready

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1791

At A monthly Meeting of Women friends held in **Dartmouth** 21<sup>th</sup> of 3<sup>mo</sup> 1791

The friends appointed to attend the Monthly Meeting

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*Representatives  
Called*

from the the [sic] South Preparative Meeting are **Elizabeth Slocum** and **Susanna Allen** and from the North **Deborah Davis** and **Kezia Russell** all present. **Lydia Potters** Acknowledgment hath been read agreeable to the Conclusion of Last Monthly Meeting

*Sent to  
Q Meeting*

The Queries and Answers with the Accounts have been read and Considerd in this Meeting and Sent up to the Quarterly Meeting by our Representatives who are **Deborah Davis Mercy Slocum** and **Martha Smith** and they to report to the next Monthly Meeting

*B Allen  
Request for  
Children*

**Benjamin Allen** Requests that his Children may be taken under the Care of friends **Deborah Allen Martha Smith** and **Martha Chase** are appointed to Join the Committe of Men to make the family a visit and report when ready.

**Elizabeth Borman** Informs this Meeting She is about to remove

*E Borman Requests Certificate* within the verge of **Vasselborough [East Vassalboro]** Monthly Meeting to reside with her Husband and desired a Certificate **Anna Eddy** and **Joanna Gifford** are appointed to prepare one and bring to the Next Monthly Meeting if they find Nothing to hinder.

*Choice of Overseers* The Business of A new Choice of Overseers Coming under the Consideration of this Meeting we Therefore appoint **Deborah Allen Deborah Davis Rhoda Tucker** and **Elizabeth Howland** and reappoint **Kezia Russell Elizabeth Tripp** and **Lucy Howland**

*E & Mary Chase for Request for Children* **Ebenezer** and **Mary Chase** have presented a few lines to to this Meeting Desiring that their Children **Preserved Hannah Martha** and **Zeabury** may be received into Membership with friends **Elizabeth Tripp** and **Martha Chase** are appointed to Join with the Committee of men to make them a Visit and report when ready

*4<sup>d</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1791* At A Monthly Meeting of Women friends held in **Dartmouth** <sup>th</sup> 13<sup>th</sup> of <sup>th</sup> 4<sup>mo</sup> 1791

*Representatives Called* The Friends appointed to attend the Monthly Meeting from the South Preparative Meeting are **Anna Eddy** and **Hannah Wood** and from the North **Rachel Maxfeild** and **Rhoda Tucker** all present except **Hannah Wood** who sent a Satisfactory Reason

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*5<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1791 Returns from Q Meeting* for her Absence. Two of the friends appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting Inform they attended **Martha Smith** Informs the Reason of her not attending which was to Satisfaction.

*E Borman Certificate Sign'd* The friends appointed to prepare a Certificate for **Elizabeth Borman** have presented one which was read approv'd and Sign'd by the Clerk of this and the mens Meeting.

The Matter of **Hannah Maccumber [Macomber]** is refer'd another month

*E & M Chase Children Receiv'd* The Committe appointed to visit the family of **Ebenezer** and **Mary Chase** report they have had an opportunity in their family to a good degree of Satisfaction and think their request may be granted which report this Meeting with the Concurrence of the Men takes up Satisfied with and Receives their Children into Membership with friends.

*O Butler & Wife referd M Manchester Re<sup>at</sup> Certificate* **Obadiah Butler** and Wife is refer'd **Mary Manchester** desires a Certificate recommended her as a member to the Monthly Meeting of **Sandwich Zurviah Smith** and **Patience Austin** are appointed to take the necessary Care and if they find nothing to hinder to prepare one and bring to the next monthly Meeting

*5<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1791* At A Monthly Meeting of Women friends held in **Dartmouth** <sup>th</sup> 16 of <sup>th</sup> 5<sup>mo</sup> 1791

*Representatives Called* The representatives from the South Preparative Meeting are **Mary Smith** and **Elizabeth Howland** and those from the north are **Zurviah Smith** and **Elizabeth Tripp** all present Except **Elizabeth Tripp** who was prevented by Indisposition

*H Maccumber Referd* The Matter of **Hannah Maccumber [Macomber]** is still referd under the Care of the Same Committe

*P Shepherd Ce<sup>r</sup>t returnd* **Patience Shepherd** Some time past had a Certificate recommending her to the Monthly Meeting at **Rhodisland [Rhode Island]** She now being return'd hath presented her Certificate with an Endosment thereon which is to Satisfaction

*B Allens Children Receiv'd* The Committe appointed to Join the Mens Committe to visit the family of **Benjamin Allen** on account of his Children report they have had had [*sic*] an opportunity with the family to a good degree of Satisfaction and think their Children may be received which is accepted whose names are

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**Mahala Thirsa Marinda & Pamela**

*M Manchester's Certificate Signd* The Committe appointed to prepare a Certificate for **Mary Manchester** have presented one which was read approv'd and sign'd in this Meeting directing her a Member to the Monthly Meeting of **Sandwich**. Received A Certificate from the Monthly Meeting at **Akoakset [Acoaxet]** in behalf of **Mer<sup>c</sup>y Anthony** Wife of **William Anthony** recommending her a Member to this Meeting which is Accepted. **Anna Maccumber [Macomber]** hath presented a A [*sic*] paper to this Meeting Condemning her outgoings **Mary Tucker** and **Anna Eddy** are appointed to Inspect the Sincerity of her mind therein and report when ready.

*M Anthony's Certificate Signd*

*A Maccumber's Paper*

*O Butler & Wife is referd* The Matter of **Obadiah Butler** and Wife is referd another month under the Same friends Care

As is requested by the friends from the North Preparative Meeting that the Monthly Meeting be held a part of the time at **New Bedford** and under Consideration thereof this Meeting appoints **Mercy Slocum Martha Chase Joanna Gifford** and **Deborah Davis** to Join the Committe of <sup>men</sup> friends to Consult the Matter and report to the next Monthly Meeting

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1791

At A monthly Meeting of Women Friends held in **Dartmouth** <sup>th</sup> 20 of <sup>th</sup> 6 <sup>mo</sup> 1791

*Representatives Called* The friends appointed to attend the Monthly Meeting from the South Preparative Meeting are **Elizabeth Howland** and

*H Maccumber is referd* **Elizabeth Slocum** and those from the North are **Kezia Russell** and **Ruth Mosher** all present. **Hannah Maccumber [Macomber]** is still referd. **Anna Macumber [Macomber]** is Likewise referd another

*O Butler & Wife is referd* month. The Committe that had the Care of **Obadiah Butler** and Wife Inform they are not ready to make report And its still refer'd under their Care.

*T & Charity Rotch Ce<sup>r</sup>t Accepted* Receiv'd a Certificate from the Monthly Meeting on **Nantucket** in behalf of **Thomas Roth [Rotch]** and his Wife **Charity** Recommending them as to this Meeting dated the 25<sup>th</sup> of <sup>th</sup> 4 <sup>mo</sup> 1791 which is accepted. Received a Certificate

from the Monthly Meeting held at **Danby** for **Saratoga**  
th 16<sup>th</sup> of th 12<sup>mo</sup> 1790 In behalf of **Phebe allen** Wife of  
**Obadiah Allen** recommending her a Member to this Meeting

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A Certificate  
for **Chilion**  
W **Chilian**[sic]

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which is accepted. And one from the Monthly Meeting  
at **Saratoga** in Behalf of **Chilian Woods** Children whose names  
are **Charles Ruth Elizabeth** and **Elisha** which is also accepted

Committe  
report of the  
M in the  
Neck

The Committe appointed to attend the Meetings in the **Neck**  
the winter past report that all the Meeting were kept up and  
Attended by the greater part of friends to Some degree of  
Satisfaction. **Mary Smith** and **Mary Tucker** are

**Sarah Londas**  
Certificate

Appointed to draw up a Testimony of Denial against **Sarah**  
**Howland**. and bring to the <sup>next mo meeting</sup> Our Esteemed friend **Sarah Londa** attended  
this Meeting and produced a Certificate from **Kingwood** [?] monthly  
Meeting dated the th 14<sup>th</sup> of th 10<sup>mo</sup> 1790 Expressing their Unity with

**Elizabeth**  
**Martins**  
Certificate

her Visit and Concern She being an approved Minister Likewise  
her Companion **Elizabeth Martin** produced one from the Monthly  
Meeting of **Rahway** [**New Jersey**?] approvind of ~~the~~ <sup>her</sup> attending the Said friend  
She being an Elder respected by them which were read to our  
Satisfaction their Company and Labour being acceptable and  
Edifiing to us.

Sent to Q  
Meeting

The Queries and Answers  
with the accounts have been read and Considerd in this Meeting  
and forwarded up to our Quarterly by our representatives who  
are **Anna Eddy Deborah Davis Martha Smith** and **Hannah**  
**Wood** and they to report to the next Monthly Meeting.

**T Akins**  
Disown<sup>d</sup>

We are Inform'd from the men that they are about to deny  
**Thomas Akins** [**Akin**] any right of Membership with friends which this  
Meeting Concurr with.

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1791

Representatives  
Called

At A monthly Meeting of Women friends held  
in **Dartmouth** th 18 of th 7<sup>mo</sup> 1791

The friends appointed to attend the Monthly Meeting from  
the South Preparative Meeting are **Jerusha Smith** and **Mary**  
**Tucker** and from the North **Rebecca Ricketson** [**Ricketson**] and **Rhoda**  
**Tucker** all present.

**H Maccumber**  
Referd

The Matter of **Anna**  
**Macumber** [**Macomber**] is referd another month under the Same friends  
Care. The Matter of **Hannah Macumber** [**Macomber**] is  
refer'd another month under the Care of the Same Committee  
with **Martha Chase** added.

**C Ricketson**  
Disowned

This Meeting is  
is Inform'd from the Mens they are about to Deny **Clerk**  
**Ricketson** [**Ricketson**] from any right of Membership with friends which  
this Meeting Concurr with

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Returns from  
Q Meeting

The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting report  
they all attended agreeable to appointment and Produced an

*Epistles from  
Yearly Meeting*

Epistle from the yearly Meeting on **Rhodeland** [**Rhode Island**] dated from the 10<sup>th</sup> of <sup>th</sup> 6<sup>mo</sup> to the 14<sup>th</sup> of the Same with two transcripts one from **Philidelpi** [**Philadelphia**] bearing Date 27<sup>th</sup> of <sup>th</sup> 9<sup>mo</sup> to the 2<sup>d</sup> of <sup>th</sup> 10<sup>mo</sup> Inclusive 1790 the other from **Westbury** on **long Island** bearing date from the <sup>th</sup> 28 of <sup>th</sup> 5<sup>mo</sup> 1791 to the <sup>th</sup> 2<sup>d</sup> of <sup>th</sup> 6<sup>mo</sup> Containing much Seasonable advice all which was read in this Meeting to good Satisfaction.

**Susanna Russell** and **Elizabeth Rotch** are appointed to draw Testimony of denial for **Basheba Barna** [**Barney**] and bring to the next Monthly Meeting.

*O Butler &  
Wife referd*

The Matter of **Obadiah Butler** and Wife is still refer'd under the Same friends Care with **Patience Austin** added to the Committe.

*Minuets  
Corrected*

**Deborah Davis** and **Mercy Slocum** are appointed to view and Correct the Monthly Meetings minuets in order to be recorded and report when they have accomplish'd their Service.

*John Gifford  
Denied*

This Meeting is Inform'd from the mens they are about to deny **John Gifford** Son of **Abiel** any right of Membership with friends which meets the Concurrence of this Meeting.

*S Howland  
Denial*

The friends appointed to draw a Testimony of denil [denial] for **Sarah Howland** have presented one which read approv'd and Sign'd by this Meeting and is orderd to be read in the Publick manner and return'd to the Clerk to go on Record and is as follows

**Sarah Howland** Daughter of **Joseph Howland** having had a right of Membership with friends but through Unwatchfulness and disobedience to the Divine Law written in her own heart hath so far deviated from the truth as to be the Mother of a Child in an Umarried State and friends having Labourd with her in order to bring her to a right Sense of the Evil of her reproachful Conduct, but their Labour of love not having the desir'd affect to friends Satisfaction, therefore we are Constrain'd to give this forth as a Testimony against Such Conduct hereby disowning her the Said **Sarah Howland** from being any Longer a member of our Society untill she shall manifest a Sincere Repentance and be Restor'd to the way of truth which is our desire. Given forth at our Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** <sup>th</sup>18 of <sup>th</sup> 7<sup>th</sup> <sup>mo</sup> 1791 Signed in and by order of Said Meeting by

**Caleb Green** Clerk  
**Mercy Slocum** Clerk

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*8<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup>  
1791*

At A Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held at **Dartmouth** <sup>th</sup> 15<sup>th</sup> of <sup>th</sup> 8<sup>mo</sup> 1791

*Representatives  
Called*

The Friends appointed to attend the Monthly Meeting from the South Preparative Meeting are **Abgail Shepherd** and **Susanna Allen** and those from the North are **Rhoda Mott** and **Patience Austin** all present. **Anna Macumbers** [**Macomers**] acknowledgment was not accepted by reason of her absence **Hannah Maccumbers** [**Macomers**]

acknowledgment is refer'd on the Same account.

*B Barnas Denial* **Sarah Howlands** denial hath been read agreeable to the Conclusion of last Monthly Meeting. The friends appointed to draw a Testimony of Denial for **Bathsheba Barna [Barney]** have presented one which read approv'd and Sign'd in this Meeting and is to be read in the usual Publick manner and return'd to the Clerk to go on Record and is as follows

From our Monthly Meeting ~~of~~ held in **Dartmouth** the 15<sup>th</sup> of <sup>th</sup> 8 m<sup>o</sup> 1791

**Bathsheba Barney** having been a Member of our Society but for not attending to that inward principle that would have preserv'd from Evil, hath So far Deviated therefrom not only in Marrying a man not in unity with us but in having a Child Earlier after Marriage than is Consistent with Chastity, and friends having discharg'd themselves in tender Council towards her but not finding her in a disposition to condemn her Conduct to our Satisfaction we are Constrain'd for the Clearing <sup>of</sup> our Testimony thus Publickly to Testify against her being A member of our Religious Society, untill She shall be favour'd to See the Inconsistency of her misconduct and make friends Satisfaction which is our desire. Signed in behalf of the Monthly Meeting by **Mercy Slocum** Clerk

*Committee Dismist* The Matter of **Obadiah Butler** and Wife is referd another month We are Inform'd from the men the Committe appointed on the request of **Bedford [New Bedford]** friends are dismiss

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*9<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1791* At A Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held at **Dartmouth** <sup>th</sup> 19 of <sup>th</sup> 9<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1791

*Representatives Called* Representatives from the South Preparative Meeting are **Joanna Gifford** and **Phebe Allen** and those from the North are **Elizabeth Tripp** and **Judith Russell** all present. The friends appointed to view and Correct the Monthly Meetings Minuets Inform they have fullilled their appointment.

*Minuets Corrected* **Obadiah Butler** and Wifes acknowledgment is accepted by this and the mens Meeting. **Bathsheba Barnys [Barneys]** Testimony of Denial hath been read agreeable to the Conclusion of Last Monthly Meeting. The matter Concerning **Hannah Maccumber [Macomber]** is refer'd another month under the Same friends Care.

*A Maccumbers Ac<sup>k</sup> Receiv'd* **Anna Macumbers [Macomers]** acknowledgment is receiv'd by this ~~and~~ Meeting the Mens Meeting Concurring therewith.

*Sent to Q Meeting* The Queries and answers with the accounts have been read And Considerd in this Meeting and Sent up to the Quarterly Meeting ~~who are~~ by our Representatives who are **Mercy Anthony Zurviah Smith** and **Anna Eddy** and they to report to the next Monthly Meeting. **Hannah Bowdish [Bowditch]** request A

*H Bowdish* Certificate for herself and Children to recommend them to **Swansy [Swanzey]**



*Requests Certificate* Monthly Meeting **Rhoda Tucker** and **Elizabeth Tripp** are appointed to Join the men friends and prepare one and bring to the next Monthly Meeting if nothing appears to hinder.

This Meeting appoints **Hannah Wood** to be an overseer of the Poor

*10<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1791* At A monthly Meeting of Women friends held at **Dartmouth** <sup>th</sup> 17 of <sup>th</sup> 10 <sup>m<sup>o</sup></sup> 1791

*Representatives Called* The friends appointed to attend the Monthly Meeting from the South Preparative Meeting are **Hannah Wood** and **Mary Smith** and those from the north are **Rachel Maxfield** and **Rhoda Mott** all present.

*Returns from Q Meeting* The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting Inform ~~that~~ they attended Agreeable appointment. **Hannah Maccumber [Macomber]**

*H Maccumber Ac<sup>k</sup> Accepted* Acknowledgment is accepted by this Meeting the Mens Meeting Concurring therewith

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*A Greenes Certificate*

Receiv'd a Certificate from the Monthly Meeting held at **Smithfeild [Smithfield]** for **Providence** <sup>th</sup> 14 of <sup>th</sup> 8 m<sup>o</sup> 1791 in behalf of **Amy Greene** wife of **Calep Greene** recommending her a Member to this Meeting which is accepted

*H Bo<sup>w</sup>dish Certificate Sign'd*

A Certificate for **Hannah Bo<sup>w</sup>dish [Bowditch]** and her three Children was read appr<sup>v</sup>'d and Sign'd in this Meeting and directed to the Monthly Meeting at **Swansy [Swanzey]** the Childrens Names are **Nathaniel** <sup>^Joseph</sup> and **Ruth**

*Request from North Preparative Meeting*

A request from the friends of the North Preparative Meeting was brought to the Monthly Meeting desiring to have the Monthly Meeting ~~from this~~ <sup>Divided</sup> that Meeting Making a Amonthly [*sic*] Meeting which is under Consideration and to be Refer'd another Month

*11<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1791*

At A Monthly Meeting of Women friends held in **Dartmouth** <sup>th</sup> 21 of <sup>th</sup> 11 <sup>m<sup>o</sup></sup> 1791

*Representatives Called*

The friends appointed to attend the Monthly Meeting from the ~~friends~~ South Preparative Meeting are **Mary Tucker** and **Lucy Howland** and from the North **Rhoda Tucker** and **Rebecca Riketson [Ricketson]** all present except **Mary Tucker** who sent a Satisfactory reason for not attending. The overseers have handed

*R Slocum Denied*

in report of their Labour with **Rebecca Slocum** formerly **Smith** for keeping Company and marrying out of the unity of friends and having A Child soon after and that they have extending the necessary Labour towards her and now thought best to lay it before the Meeting **Jerusha Smith** and **Anna Eddy** are appointed to draw A Testimony of denial against her and bring to the next Monthly Meeting. The Queries and Answers

*Sent to Q*

with the Accounts have been read and Consider'd in this Meeting

*Meeting* And Sent up to the Quarterly Meeting by our Representatives who are **Mercy Slocum Deborah Davis** ~~and~~ **Hannah Wood** and **Rhoda Tucker** and they to report to the next Monthly Meeting  
The request of **Bedford** [**New Bedford**] friends Coming before this Meeting for Consideration and the Men friends Coming to a Conclusion to Carry it to the Quarterly Meeting this Meeting unites with it. This Meeting Concludes and ajourns  
*Ajourns* to the <sup>th</sup> 30<sup>th</sup> of <sup>th</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1791

12<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1791 **113**

*Representatives Mett Called Request of friends in Allens Neck* Mett by ajournment <sup>th</sup> 30 of <sup>th</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1791  
Representatives all present except **Rebecca Riketson** [**Ricketson**] The friends in **Allens Neck** request the ~~favour~~ Liberty of holding Meeting in their Neighbourhood the Ensuing Winter which being Considerd this Meeting uniting with the mens and appoints a Committe to make them a visit who are **Rhoda Tucker** and **Mercy Slocum** and report to the next Monthly Meeting.

*R Swift & Wifes Certificate* Receiv'd a Certificate from the Monthly Meeting held at the **long plain** for **Sandwich** in Behalf of **Rheuben Swift** and his Wife **Ruth** recommending them as Members to this Meeting which is accepted

12<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1791 At A Monthly Meeting of Women Friends to be held in **Dartmouth** <sup>th</sup> 19 of <sup>th</sup> 12<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1791

*Representatives Called* Representatives from the South Preparative Meeting are **Jerusha Smith** and **Mary Tucker** and those from the North are **Elizabeth Tripp** and **Elizabeth Rotch** all present

*Returns from Q Meeting* The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting Inform they all attended.

*R Slocums Denial* The Friends appointed to draw a Testimony of Denial against **Rebecca Slocum** hath presented one which was approv'd and Sign'd in this Meeting the Mens meeting uniting therewith and is to be read in the Publick usual manner and return'd to the Clerk to to [*sic*] on recor'd and is as follows

Whereas **Rebecca Slocum** formerly **Smith** having had a birth right of Membership amongst friends and under the Care of this Meeting but for want of a due regard to the directions of truth hath so far Given to the temptations of the Enemy as to fall into the reproachful Sin of Fornication which appears by her having a Child so soon after Marriage wherefore we apprehend it our duty to Cause a Testimony to go forth against Such Conduct and hereby disown her from being any longer a member of our Society untill she shall by divine Assistance be restor'd to the way of truth which is our desire.

Given forth by our Monthly Meeting of **Dartmouth** held the 19<sup>th</sup> of <sup>th</sup> 12<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1791 Signed by order of S<sup>d</sup>  
Meeting by **Mercy Slocum** Clerk

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1<sup>d</sup> m<sup>e</sup>  
1792  
Request of F<sup>rd</sup>  
in Allens Neck

The Committee appointed to make a visit to the friends in **Allens Neck** Report they have attended thereto. And Think it may be Safe to grant their Request And the Meetings to be held at the Houses of **Susanna Allen Peleg Slocum** and **Timothy Gifford** to be held on first and fifth days except on fifth days when our Meetings of Dicipline may be held and under the Care of a Committee to Join the men friends who are **Deborah Allen Hannah Wood Lucy Howland** and **Mary Tucker**. for Some to attend Such Meeting and report at the ~~Exterbation~~ <sup>Expiration</sup> thereof.

*Abijah Shearman*  
*Denied*

This Meeting is Inform'd from the mens they are about to Testify against **Abijah Shearman [Sherman]** for Marrying out of the Order of friends which this Meeting Concurs with

*Extracts from*  
*Q Meeting*

An Extract from the Quarterly Meetings Minuets being Handed to this Meeting Manifesting a Weighty Concern for the many deficiencies that Still Prepails amongst us

It is Recommended that a Solid Weighty Committee be appointed to visit friends in their Several families and Indeavour to Stir up our Members to a <sup>more</sup> Diligent Attention to the Several Branches of our Christian Testimony which is Refer'd for further Consideration till Next Monthly Meeting

At A Monthly Meeting of Women

1<sup>d</sup> m<sup>e</sup> 1792

friends held at **Dartmouth** the 16<sup>th</sup> of <sup>th</sup> 1<sup>d</sup> m<sup>e</sup> 1792

*Representatives*  
*Called*

The representatives for the South Preparative Meeting are **Hannah Wood** and **Lucy Howland** and from the North **Rhoda Tucker** and **Patience Austin** all present the Clerk of this Meeting being Absent **Deborah Davis** is appointed Clerk for the day. The Overseers have brought a

*Complaint*  
*Against A*  
*Slocum*

Complaint to this Meeting Against **Amey [Almy?] Slocum** for her Neglecting Meetings and Attending Places of Diversion **Elizabeth Slocum** and **Hannah Wood** are appointed to visit Her and Endeavour to reclaim her if it may be and report when Ready

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2<sup>d</sup> m<sup>e</sup>  
1792  
A Complaint  
Against E  
Shepherd

A Complaint is brought to this Meeting against ~~this~~ **Elizabeth Shepherd the 2<sup>d</sup>** for unjustly Exchanging a pair of Shoes and Denying it and accusing an Innocent person therewith and is Also accused of with things of the like nature which She does not Clear herself of **Patience Austins** and **Elizabeth Rotch** are appointed to visit her for her Transgression and Endeavour to Convince her of the Evil of her ways and report when ready

*S Potter*  
*Denied*

This Meeting is Inform'd that **Rebecca Slocums** Testimony of Denial has been Read. We are Inform'd from the mens Meeting that they have deny'd unity with **Samuel Potter** which this Meeting Concurs with. The advice

*A Committe  
to visit families*

from the Quarterly Meeting Minuets Coming <sup>^</sup>again under the  
Consideration of this Meeting and after Solid Deliberation  
thereon we do appoint **Martha Chace Martha Smith  
Mercy Slocum Rhoda Tucker Deborah Davis Jerusha Smith**  
and **Elizabeth Rotch** to Join the Committe of men friends  
to proceed in the Ability that truth may afford to visit  
friends in their Several families

At A Monthly Meeting of Women  
friends held in **Dartmouth** <sup>th</sup> 20 of <sup>th</sup> 2<sup>d</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1792

*Representatives  
Called*

Representatives for the South Preparative Meeting  
are **Elizabeth Slocum** and **Jerusha Smith** and those from the  
North **Kezia Russell** and **Abigail Russell** all present

The matter of **Almy Slocum** is refer'd. **Elizabeth  
Shepherds** case is Likewise refer'd under the Care of the Same  
Committe. Receiv'd a few lines from the Monthly  
Meeting at **Pembrook [Pembroke]** respecting **Mary Kirby** Desiring our  
Care over her Conduct and write back to them when  
Satisfied **Hannah Wood Mary Tucker** and **Elizabeth  
Slocum** are appointed to make her a visit and report when ready

This Meeting is Inform'd that **Peleg Gifford** desires  
a removal Certificate for himself and Wife. **Abiel  
Gifford** and **William Barker J<sup>ur</sup>** Each of them Desires

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Removal Certificates for themselves their Wives and Children  
recommending them to the Monthly Meeting at **Saratoga**  
**Anne Eddy Mary Tucker** and **Deborah Hicks** are appointed  
to Join the men friends to prepare them and Likewise to  
make the families a visit. An Epistle from **London**

*Epistle from  
London*

was presented to this Meeting which was read to good  
Satisfaction. **Chilean Wood** and **Lilles Gifford**

*C Wood &  
Lilles Gifford  
Intentions of  
M declar'd*

Declar'd their Intentions of Marriage with Each other before  
this Meeting and are desir'd to wait till next Monthly  
Meeting for their Answer they having Consent of Parents  
**Anne Eddy** and **Jerusha Smith** are appointed to Inspect  
**Lilles Giffords** Clearness respecting Marriage and Conversation  
and report to the Next Monthly Meeting

*S & Thomas  
Howland  
Disownd*

This Meeting is Inform'd from the mens they  
have deny'd Unity with **Sthephen Howland Thomas Howland**  
Son of **Abraham** and **Seth Potter** which this Meeting Concurs  
with

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At A Monthly Meeting of Women  
Held in **Dartmouth** the 19<sup>th</sup> of <sup>th</sup> 3<sup>d</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1792

*Representatives  
Called*

The Representatives from South Preparative  
Meeting are **Mercy Anthony** And **Mary Tucker** and from

the North **Zurviah Smith** and **Rhoda Tucker** all present

The Matter of **Almy Slocum** is refer'd.

The Committee appointed to treat with **Elizabeth Shepherd** the 2<sup>d</sup> report they have had Several Solid Opportunities with her and think it may be most for the Honour of truth to Testify against her the men Concurring threewith **Patience Austin** and **Elizabeth Rotch** are appointed to draw A Testimony of Denial against her and bring to the Next Monthly Meeting. The friends appointed to Inspect **Lilles Giffords** Clearness respecting Marriage report they find nothing to Hinder their proceeding **Chilian Wood** and **Lilles Gifford** appear for their Answer

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*C Wood &  
L Giffords  
Answer*

Which was they might proceed to take each other in Marriage between this and the Next Monthly Meeting advising with the friends appointed to See their Marriages Solemnized and Conducted orderly who are **Mercy Slocum** and **Anna Eddy** and they to report to the Next Monthly Meeting

**Lilles Gifford** desires a Remomal [Removal] Certificate recommending her a member to **Saratoga** Monthly Meeting **Anna Eddy** and **Mary Tucker** are appointed to prepare one and to Join the men to prepare one for **John Barker** who requests one for himself his Wife and Children recommending them to the Same Monthly Meeting.

*T Allens &  
J Kerby  
Intentions  
of Marriage  
Declared*

**Thomas Allen** and **Judith Kerby** [Kirby] declared their Intention of Marriage with Each other before this Meeting and are desir'd to wait till Next Monthly Meeting for their Answer **Elizabeth Slocum** and **Elizabeth Howland** are appointed to Inspect **Judith Kerbys** [Kirbys] Clearness respecting Marriage and Conversation and report to the next Monthly Meeting

*Sent to  
Q Meeting*

The Queries and Answers with the Accounts have been read approv'd and Sign'd by the Clerk of this Meeting and forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting by our representatives who are **Rhoda Tucker** **Patience Austin** and **Phebe Allen** and they to report to the Next Monthly Meeting

*P Gifford  
& Wifes  
Certificate  
Sign'd*

The Committee appointed to prepare a Certificate for **Peleg Gifford** and Wife hath presented one which was read approv'd and Sign'd by the Clerk of this and the mens Meeting recommending them as Members to the Monthly Meeting at **Saratoga**

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1792

At A Monthly Meeting of Women friends held in **Dartmouth** <sup>th</sup> 16<sup>th</sup> of <sup>th</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1792

*Representatives  
Called*

Representatives from the South Preparatives Meeting are **Sarah Howland** and **Lucy Howland** and those from the North are **Elizabeth Tripp** and **Elizabeth Rotch** all present The Committee appointed to treat with **Almy Slocum** are Desir'd to make her Another Visit and if they find no

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Satisfaction to draw a Testimony of Denial against her and bring to the Next Monthly Meeting

*E Shepherd  
the 2<sup>d</sup> disownd*

The friends appointed to draw A Testimony of Denial against **Elizabeth Shepherd the 2<sup>d</sup>** have prepar'd one which read approv'd and sign'd by this and the mens Meeting and Sign'd by the Clerk and is order'd to be read in the Usual publick manner and return'd to the Clerk to be recorded and is as follows

From our Monthly Meeting of Women friends held in **Dartmouth**  
the 16<sup>th</sup> of <sup>th</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1792

**Elizabeth Shepherd the 2<sup>d</sup>** having been a member of our Religious Society but for want of Adhereing to the Inward manifestation of truth reveal'd in every heart. hath been Suffered to pursue Unwarrantable means to procure an Article which was the property of Another which action she not only denied but Charged it upon Another person. For which Offences she hath been tenderly Labour'd with in much love in order to Convince her of the Reproachfulness thereof And Altho She hath Acknowledged the facts and discovered Some Sorrow therefrom yet Considering the Reproach her Misconduct hath brought upon our profession and two other Charges of the like nature against her that she hath not Cleared herself of to our Satisfaction. We think it Incumbent upon us for the Support of our Christian Testimony against Unrighteousness to Testify that we can no longer own her a Member of our Society untill she may be favour'd with A true sense of her Situation and therein make friends Satisfaction which is our desire

Signed in and on behalf of the Monthly Meeting by  
**Mary Slocum** Clerk

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The friends appointed to Inspect **Judith Kerbyes [Kirby]** Clearness respecting marriage report they find nothing to hinder their proceedings **Thomas Allen** and **Judith Kerby** appear'd for their Answer which was they may proceed in Marriage between this and the next Monthly Meeting advising with those friends appointed to see their marriage Conducted orderly who are **Elizabeth Slocum** and **Elizabeth Howland** and they to report to the next Monthly Meeting. The friends appointed to have the Oversight of **Chileon Wood** and **Lilles Giffords** Marriage report they deferred nothing but that it was Conducted orderly.

*T Allens  
& J Kerbys  
Answer*

*Returns from  
Q Meeting*

The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting Inform they all Attended. The friends appointed to visit **Mary Kerby** report they have visited her and find So much Satisfaction think her acknowledgment may be accepted **Mary Tucker** and **Anne Eddy** are desir'd to prepare a few lines to **Pembroke** Monthly Meeting in

*M Shepherd*  
*Certificate* Answer to their Request and bring to the next Monthly Meeting  
 Receiv'd a Certificate from **Pembrook** Monthly Meeting on behalf  
 of **Mercy Shepherd** wife to **Barnbas Shephed** recommending her a member  
 to this Meeeting which is accepted. The friends appointed  
*L Woods*  
*Certificate* to prepare a Certificate for **Lilles Wood** have presented one which was  
*Sign'd* read approv'd and Sign'd by the Clerk of the mens Meeting and this  
 Receiv'd a Certificate from the Monthly Meeting of  
*C Wing &*  
*Wifes* **Sandwich** in behalf of **Cornelious Wing** his Wife **Mehetable** and Daughter  
*Certificate* **Sarah** recommending them as members to this Meeting which is accepted  
 Dated <sup>th</sup> 21<sup>th</sup> of <sup>th</sup> 3<sup>m<sup>o</sup></sup> 1792 Read and Sign'd a removal  
*A Gifford*  
*& Wifes* Certificate for **Abiel Gifford** his wife **Joanna** and their Children  
*Certificate* whose names are **Levi Gilbert Jeremiah Abiel** and **Joanna Alo**  
*Sign'd* one for **William Barker** his Wife **Deborah** and their Children  
 whose names are **James Hannah Mary** and **Anna** recommending  
*W Barker*  
*& Wifes* them as members to **Saratoga** Monthly Meeting  
*Certificate* This Meeeting is Inform'd from the mens they  
*Sign'd* have deny'd Unity with **Zadock Maxfield** which meets the  
 Concurrece of this. This Meeting Concludes and ajourn'd  
 to **Bedford** the third of the fifth month Next  
*Zadock*  
*Maxfield*  
*Denied*  
*Ajourns* Book, Woman 1782 - 1813; pp 118, 119; DigitalDivide, V. Otieno 5/9/2020

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 Mett by Ajournment <sup>th</sup> 3<sup>d</sup> of <sup>th</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1792  
 Representatives Called none present  
*Mett*  
*Representatives* **George Harris** and **Martha Greene** declar'd their  
*Called* Intentions of Marriage with Each other before this Meeting  
 and are desired to wait till next Monthly Meeeting for their  
**G Harris &**  
**M Greene** Answer. **Kezia Russell** and **Deborah Davis** are  
*Intention of* appointed to inspect **Martha Greenes** Clearness respecting  
*Marriage* Marriage and Conversation and report to the next Monthly Meeting

<sup>5<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup></sup> 1792 A A Monthly Meeting of Women friends held in  
*Representatives* **Dartmouth** <sup>th</sup> 21 of <sup>th</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1792  
*Called* The friends appointed to attend the Monthly Meeting from the  
 South Preparative Meeting are **Elizabeth Howland** and **Lucy**  
**Howland** and from the North are **Rhoda Tucker** and **Anna**  
**Hazard** all present. A Testimony of denial hath been  
 read against **Elizabeth Shepherd** agreeable to the Conclusion  
 of last Monthly Meeting. The friends appointed  
 to write to **Pembrook** Monthly Meeting in behalf of **Mary Kerby [Kirby]**  
 have presented a few lines which was read approv'd and Sign'd  
 by the Clerk. The Overseers have handed  
 in a report of their Labour with **Rebecca Barker** <sup>^Chase</sup> now Wife of  
**R Chase** **Benjamin Barker Chase** for keeping Company and Marrying out  
*Disownd* of the Unity of friends She being timely Labourd with therefore  
 friends finding themselves Clear disown her from having any  
 right of membership with friends the mens Meeting Concurring  
 therewith **Rhoda Mott** is appointed to Inform **Rebecca Chase**  
 of her denial and report to the next Monthly Meeting

The friends appointed to Inspect **Martha Greenes** Clearness Respecting Marriage and Conversation report they find nothing to hinder their proceeding **George Harris** and **Martha Greene** appear for their Answer which was they may proceed in marriage between this and the next Monthly Meeting observing the good order of friends **Kezia Russell** and **Deborah Davis** are appointed to have the Oversight of S<sup>d</sup> Marriage and report

*G Harriss  
& M Greenes  
Answer*

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*6<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup>  
1792* To the next Monthly Meeting.

*Complaint  
against  
P Sissel*

*S Buffington  
& Daughter  
Certificate*

*Report of  
Meetings in  
Allens Neck*

*P Shephrd  
Copy of the  
Minuet*

This Meeting is Inform'd that **Patience Sissel [ Sisson]** Wife to **Stephen Sissel** has Married out of the order of friends and had a Child soon after **Anne Eddy** and **Rhoda Mott** are appointed to draw a Testimony of Denial against her and bring to the next Monthly Meeting.

Received a Certificate from the Monthly Meeting of **Accoakset** on behalf of **Sarah Buffinton** wife to **Stephen Buffington** and her Daughter **Sarah** recommending them as members to this Meeting dated <sup>th</sup> 17<sup>th</sup> of <sup>th</sup> 3<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1792 which is Accepted.

The friends that had the Care of the Meetings in the **Neck** report they were all kept up and attended in a good degree Orderly. The friends that had the Care of **Thomas Allens** Marriage Report they all attended and Discover'd nothing but that It was Conduct ed orderly.

This Meeting is Inform'd that **Phebe Shepherd** is gone on a visit within the Verge of **Vasselborrough** Monthly Meeting to tarry Some time there may Inform she is a Member of our Meeting and as Such we recommend her to your Care and the Clerk is directed to Send her Copy of this minuet and Sign'd by

**Mercy Slocum** Clerk

At A Monthly Meeting of Women friends held in **Dartmouth** 18<sup>th</sup> of the 6<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1792

*6<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup>  
1792*  
*Representatives  
Called*

Representatives from the South Preparative Meeting are **Deborah Allen** and **Jerusha Smith** and from the North **Kezia Russell** and **Rhoda Tucker** all present. The friends appointed to have the Oversight of **George Harris** and **Martha Greenes** Marriage report they attended and discovered nothing but that it was Conducted orderly.

*S Barker  
Certificate  
Sign'd*

A Certificate was read approv'd and Sign'd in this and the mens Meeting in behalf of **Susanna Barker** Wife to **John Barker** and her Children Namely **Benjamin Isaac** and **Susanna Saratoga**

**Elizabeth Johnson** desired a Certificate from this Meeting to the Monthly Meeting at **Nantucket Sarah Howland** and **Mercy Anthony** are appointed to prepare one and bring to the next Monthly Meeting. A Testimony of Denial was read and Sign'd in this Meeting against **Patience Sisson** formerly **Tucker** Wife to **Stephen Sisson** and is to be read in the usual Publick manner The mens Meeting Concurring therewith

*P Sisson  
Disownd*



6<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup>

1792  
Sent to Q  
Meeting

The Queries and answers with the accounts hath been read and Considerd in this Meeting and are Sent to the Quarterly Meeting by our Representatives who are **Elizabeth Slocum Mercy Anthony Almy Greene** and **Judith Russell** and they to report to the next Monthly Meeting.

*E Johnson*  
Acknowledgment  
Accepted

**Elizabeth Johnson** hath brought a paper to this Meeting Condemning her outgoings which is accepted She Causing it to be read in the usual Publick manner and return'd to the Clerk to go on record. This Meeting is Inform'd by the Overseers that **Rebecca Senter** formerly **Haydon** hath disregarded the principles she profest so far as to ke<sup>e</sup>p Company with a first Cousin and one of Another Society and hath Married out of the unity of friends for all which she hath been Labour'd with but not finding her on a Situation of mind to make friends Satisfaction think best to lay it before the Meeting therefore for the Clearing of truth this Meeting with the Concurrence of the Mens do disown her the S<sup>d</sup> **Rebecca Senter** from any right of Membership with friends

*R Senter*  
Disownd

**Martha Harriss** hath remov'd with her Husband to live within the Verge of Providence Monthly Meeting and desires A Certificate thereto **Patience austin** and **Elizabeth Rotch** are appointed to prepare one and bring to the next Monthly Meeting if they find nothing to hinder

**Kezia Russel** is appointed to Inform **Rebecca Senter** of her denial and report to the Next Monthly Meeting

7<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1792

At A Monthly Meeting of Women friends held in **Dartmouth** <sup>th</sup> 16 of <sup>th</sup> 7<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1792

*Representatives*  
Called

the Representatives from the South Preparative Meeting are **Mercy Anthony** and **Rebecca Howland** and those from the North are **Patience Austin** and **Elizabeth Tripp** all present

*Returns from*  
*Q Meeeting*

The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting Inform they all attended agreeable to appointment and produced an Epistle from our Yearly Meeting on **Rhodisland** and a Transcript of an Epistle from the yearly Meeting at **Philidelphia** Containing any Salutary and Affectionate advise which

*Receivd Epistles*  
*from the*  
*yearly M*

7<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup>  
1792

Was read to Satisfaction. **Patience Sissons** Testimony of Denial hath been read agreeable to the Conclusion of last Monthly Meeting And is as follows

*P Sisson*  
Disownd

Whereas **Patience Sisson** Wife of **Stephen Sisson** having had A birthright amongst friends and under the Care of this Meeting but not adhering to the dictates of truth hath So far departed therefrom as to fall into the Reproachful Sin of Fornication as Appears by her having a Child so soon after Marriage

Therefore for the Clearing of truth and friends from the reproach of unwarrantable Conduct we are Concern'd to Give this forth as a Testimony against her the Said **Patience Sisson** and hereby Publickly disown her untill She may be favour'd with A true Sense of her Situation and therein make friends Satisfaction

and return to the way of truth which is our Desire

Given forth <sup>^from</sup> by our Monthly Meeting of Friends held in **Dartmouth** the 18<sup>th</sup> of <sup>th</sup> 6<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1792 and Signed in and by order of Said Meeting by **Mercy Slocum** Clerk

*D Smiths*  
*Certificate*  
*Receiv'd*  
*M Harris*  
*Certificate*  
*Sign'd*

Received A Certificate from the Monthly Meeting of Friends held at **Somerset** for **Swanzey** dated <sup>th</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> 3<sup>d</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1792 in behalf of **Deborah Smith** recommending her a member to this Meeting which is accepted. The friends appointed to prepare a Certificate <sup>^for</sup> **Martha Harris** have presented one which was read approv'd and Sign'd by this and the mens Meeting and directed to the Monthly Meeting at **Providence**. **Rhoda Mott** Informs she has Inform'd **Rebecca Chase** of her denial

8<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup>  
1792

At A Monthly Meeting of Women friends held in **Dartmouth** <sup>th</sup> 20 of <sup>th</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1792

*Representatives*  
*Called*

*E Johnsons*  
*Acknowledg*  
*ment accepted*

The friends appointed to attend the Monthly Meeting from the South Preparative Meeting are **Mary Tucker** and **Anna Eddy** and from the North **Judith Russell** and **Rhoda Tucker** all present **Elizabeth Johnsons** acknowledgment hath been read agreeable to the Conclusion of last Monthly Meeting and is as follows

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1792

**124**  
Dartmouth <sup>th</sup> 13<sup>th</sup> of the 6<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1792

Dear Beloved Friends

After my love to you these may Inform that I have as far departed from the principles of truth as to be at A house where there was a Marriage Contrary to friends principles, and Likewise being at a place where was musick and and dancing which I am Sorry for and do Condemn desiring friends to pass by my offences and let me remain under your Care

This from your friend

**Elizabeth Johnson**

*E Johnsons*  
*Certificate*  
*Sign'd*

*M Barkers*  
*Ac' accepted*

*J Russell*  
*Denied*

A Certificate for **Elizabeth Johnson the 2<sup>d</sup>** was read approv'd and Signd in this Meeting and directed to the Monthly Meeting at **Nantucket**. **Margaret Barker** hath brought

A paper to this Meeting Condemned her attending a marriage out of the unity of friends which was read and Accep<sup>t</sup>ed

The Matter of **Almy Slocum** is refer'd another ~~Another~~ month under the Care of the Same Committe with **Martha Chase** ad<sup>e</sup>d aded. This Meeting is Inform'd from the Mens Meeting that they have deny'd unity with **John Russell** Son of **Jacob Russel** with the Concurrence of this. A new Choice of Overseers Coming before

*Overseers  
Appointed*

this Meeting we do appoint **Mercy Anthony Patience Austin Rhoda Mott Deborah Davis Rhoda Tucker Lucy Howland and Deborah Allen** are appointed to be Overseers of Disorder the Ensuing year. **Deborah Davis and Mercy Slocum** is appointed to Correct the minuets and report to the next Monthly Meeting. This Meeting is Inform'd by the members of the Select Meeting they have propos'd the bringing forward of the Publick appearance of **Deborah Hicks and Martha Chase** if this Meeting Concurs therewith which is referd till next Monthly for further Consideration

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*9<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1792* At A Monthly Meeting of Women friends held in **Dartmouth** <sup>th</sup> 17<sup>th</sup> of <sup>th</sup> 9<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1792

*Representatives  
Called*

The Clerk being Absent this Meeting appoints **Anna Eddy** Clerk for the day. The friends appointed to attend the ~~South~~ Monthly Meeting from the South Preparative Meeting are **Sarah Howland and Jerusha Smith** and from the North **Charity Rotch** and **Jedida Mosher** all present except **Charity Rotch** who Sent a Satisfactory Excuse. The matter of **Almy Slocum** is Refer'd another month under the Care of the Same Committe

This Meeting is inform'd from the mens they have Concluded to return the Matter of **Deborah Hicks and Martha Chase** <sup>^Recommendation</sup> back to the Select Meeting this Meeting Concurring therewith

*Asa & Daniel  
Howland  
receiv'd*

We are Inform'd from the mens meeting that they are about to receive **Asa** and **Daniel Howland** which this Meeting Concurs with and Receives them as members ~~to~~<sup>of</sup> this Meeting... This Meeting is

*A Smith  
& M Russell  
Intentions  
of Marriage*

Inform'd by the north Preparative Meeting that **Asa Smith** desires to lay his Intentions of Marriage with **Mariba Russell** before the Meeting Accordingly they appear'd and declar'd their Intentions of marriage and were desir'd to wait till next Monthly Meeting for an answer Likewise we appoint **Anna Eddy and Avrey Greene** to Inspect

*M Ajourns*

**Meribah Russels** Clearness respecting Marriage and Conversation And report to the next Monthly Meeting. This Meeting ajourns to the 1<sup>st</sup> of <sup>th</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1792

*Mett  
Representatives  
Called*

Mett by Ajournment <sup>th</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> of <sup>th</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1792  
Representatives Called are all present

*Sent to  
Q Meeting*

The Queries and Answers with the accounts hath been and Considerd in this Meeting and Sent to the Quarterly Meeting by our Representatives who are **Anna Eddy and Rhoda Tucker** and they to Report to the next Monthly Meeting. **Hannah Hicks** a member of this Meeting having gone to **East Hoosuck** upon a visit and to make Some Stay there amongst her friends and Relations and Previous to her going desir'd the approbation of her friends this Meeting therefore Appointing of her proceeding therein and the Clerk is directed to Give her a Copy of the minuet

*H Hicks  
Serv'd with  
A Copy of  
the minuet*

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10<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup>  
1792

At A Monthly Meeting of Women friends Held In **Dartmouth**  
the 15<sup>th</sup> day of the 10<sup>mo</sup> 1792

The Clerk being Absent this Meeting Appoints **Mary Tucker**  
Clerk for the Day Representatives from the South Preparative  
Meeting are **Mary Smith** and **Elizabeth Sandford** and those from the  
North **Elizabeth Tripp** and **Rachael Maxfield Elizabeth Tripp**<sup>Sandford</sup>  
and **Rachel Maxfield** not Present~~ **Asa Smith** and **Meribah**  
**Russell** appeared for their Answer which was they mought proceed  
in Marriage between this and the Next Monthly Meeting Advising  
with the friends Appointed to See the Marriage Solemnized and  
Conducted Orderly who are **Rhoda Tucker** and **Mary Tucker** and  
they to Report to the Next Monthly Meeting~~ The friends  
Appointed to Attend the Quarterly Meeting Inform they Attended  
Agreeable to appointment~~ **Susanna Tripp** hath Sent  
a paper to this Meeting Condemning her Marrying out of the  
Unity of friends **Elizabeth Tripp** and **Rhoda Mottt** are appointed  
to Inspect the Sincerity thereof and report when Ready The Matter  
of **Mary Slocum** is Referd Another month under the same Friends Care

11<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup>  
1792

At A Monthly Meeting of Women Friends  
held In **Dartmouth** <sup>th</sup> 19 of <sup>th</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1792

Representatives from the South Preparative Meeting  
are **Elizabeth Howland** and **Elizabeth Sandford** and from  
the North are **Deborah Davis** and **Abigail Russell** all present  
**Rachel Maxfield** and **Elizabeth Sandford** gave a Satisfactory  
Reason for not Attending<sup>^the last Monthly Meeting</sup> The Matter of **Susannah Tripp** is  
referd Another Month under the Same friends Care ~~

This Meeting is Inform'd that the Marriage of **Asa**  
**Smith** and ~~Meeting~~ **Meribah Russell** was Orderly Conducted  
The Matter of **Amy Slocum** is Referd Another Month  
Under the Same friends Care~~ **Elizabeth Howland** hath  
Sent a few lines to this Meeting Condemning her Misconduct  
**Mercy Athony** and **Rhoda Tucker** are appointed to Inspect the  
Sincerity of her mind therein and Report when Ready ~~  
Receiv'd a Certificate from the Monthly Meetin of **Pembrook**  
Dated the 5<sup>th</sup> of the 9<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1792 in Behalf of **Mary Kerby**  
Recommending her A Member to this Meeting which is accepted

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**Elizabeth Johnson** not having Occasion to present her  
Certificate to the Monthly Meeting at **Nantuket** hath returnd  
it back to this Meeting. The Queries and Answers  
with Accounts hath been Read and Considerd and Signed in  
this Meeting and Sent to the Quarterly Meeting by our  
Representatives who are **Hannah Wood Mary Smith Rhoda**  
**Tucker** and **Jedida Mosher** and they to report to the Next  
Monthly Meeting. This Meeting is Inform'd from the

Mens the have Concluded to Deny Unity with **Nicholas Smith** which meets the Concurrence of this

12<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> At A Monthly Meeting of Women Friends  
1792 held in **Dartmouth** <sup>th</sup> 17 of the 12 m<sup>o</sup> 1792

Representatives from the South Preparative Meeting are **Rebecca Howland** and **Anna Eddy** and from the North **Rhoda Mott** and **Charity Rotch** all present ~~

The Clerk of this Meeting being Absent **Anna Eddy** is appointed Clerk for the Day~~ This Meeting appoints **Hannah Wood** and **Elizabeth Slocum** to Draw a Testimony of Denial against **Almy Slocum** and bring to the Next Monthly Meeting Except She Should be favoured to repent of the Evil of her ways~~ The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting Inform they attended Agreeable to appointment~~ A Request from the Friends in **Allens Neck** was Presented to this Meeting on Behalf of holding a Meeting in their Neighbourhood with which this Meeting Unites and **Elizabeth Slocum Rhoda Tucker Hannah Wood & Elizabeth Howland** are appointed to have the Oversight of Said Meetings and Report at the Expiration thereof~~ The Friends appointed to Inspect the Sincerity of **Elizabeth Howland's** Acknowledgment Report they found So much Satisfaction that they think it may be Safe to receive her again into Membership which this Meeting with the Concurrence of the mens Unites~~ Causing Said Acknowledgment to be read before the Next Monthly Meeting at the <sup>^Close</sup> of a Meeting for Worship

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The Men friends Inform the have Concluded to receive **Peleg Slocum Howland** into Membership with which this Meeting Unites~~ **George Almy** and **Elizabeth Tucker** Declar'd their Intention of taking Each Other in Marriage before this Meeting **Elizabeth Tripp** and **Rhoda Tucker** are appointed to Inspect into the Young Womans Clearness Respecting Marriage and Conversation and report to the Next Monthly Meeting The Friends appointed to have a Solid Opportunity with **Susannah Tripp** respecting her Acknowledgment Inform they have attended to it and believe her Sincere therein which Report this Meeting accepts of with the Concurrence of the Men ~~

North Preparative Meeting Informs that **Anna Maccumber** has Remov'd to **Accoakset** and requests A Certificate Recommending her to that Monthly Meeting **Rhoda Mottt** and **Mary Handy** are appointed to prepare one and bring to the Next Monthly Meeting if they

find nothing to hinder~~ **Rhoda Tucker**  
**Elizabeth Tripp Jedida Mosher** and **Mercy Anthony**  
are appointed to Join the Men friends in Establishing  
good order in **Bedford** Monthly Meeting

1<sup>d</sup> m<sup>o</sup>  
1793

At A Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held in  
**Dartmouth** <sup>th</sup> 21 of the 1 m<sup>o</sup> 1793  
**Silvester Howland** and **Elizabeth Tripp** are appointed to  
Attend the Monthly Meeting~~ **Elizabeth Howlands**  
Acknowledgment hath been read Agreeable to the Conclusion  
of last Monthly Meeting and Returnd to the Clerk to go on  
Record and is as follows

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The Friends appointed to Inspect **Elizabeth Tuckers**  
Clearness Respecting Marriage Report they find nothing to  
hinder their proceeding~~**George Almy** and **Elizabeth**  
**Tucker** appear for their Answer which was they may proceed  
in Marriage between this and the Next Monthly Meeting  
Advising with the friends appointed to See the Marriage  
Orderly Conducted who are **Rhoda Tucker** and **Elizabeth**  
**Tripp** and they to report to the next Monthly Meeting  
A Testimony of Denial against **Amy[Almy] Slocum** was read approv'd  
And Sign'd in this Meeting the mens Meeting Concurring  
therewith and is Order'd to be read in the Usual Publick  
manner and Return'd to the Clerk to be Recorded

The Friends appointed to prepare a Certificate for  
**Anna Maccumber** hath presented one which was read approv'd  
and Sign'd and Directed to the Monthly Meeting att **Accoakset**

The Audits Inform they have Reconned and Settled  
with the Treasureary and their Remains on Stock 1<sup>£</sup> 2<sup>s</sup> 1/4<sup>d</sup>

This Meeting appoints **Abigail Shepherd** to Join  
**Jerusha Smith** to Inspect the Overseers accounts and  
Settle with the Treasureary for the Ensuing Year

This Meeting make Choice of **Susannah Wood** an overseer  
of the porr for the year Ensuing ~~ **Rhoda Tucker**  
and **Jedida Mosher** Informs they attended the Monthly  
Meeting at **Bedford** agreeable to appointment **Mercy**  
**Anthony** Informs She did not attend ~~ This Meeting  
Appoints **Mary Tucker** to assist the Clerk in Correcting  
and Recording the Monthly Meetings Minuets ~~

This Meeting is Informd from the mens they have  
Concluded to accept **Benjamin Howland the 3<sup>d</sup>** acknowledgment  
for Satisfaction which this Meeting Concurr with

This Meeting appoints A Committee<sup>^to join the men friends,</sup> to Visit the Meeting At **Newtown** in Consequence of their Requesting a Divideing of the Preparative Meeting ~~and the~~ who are **Martha Smith Mercy Anthony Mary Tucker and Mercy Slocum and Hannah Wood** and they to report to the Next Monthly Meeting

2<sup>d</sup> m<sup>o</sup>  
1793

At A Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held in **Dartmouth** <sup>th</sup> 18<sup>th</sup> of the 2 m<sup>o</sup> 1793

The Representatives are **Martha Chase** and **Anna Eddy** both present **Susannah Tripp** Desires a Certificate Recommending her to the Monthly Meeting at **Accoakset Hannah Wood** and **Lucy Howland** are Desir'd to prepare one and bring to the Next Monthly Meeting if they find Nothing to hinder **Almy Slocums** Testimony of Denial hath been read Agreeable to the Conclusion of the last Monthly Meeting and is as follows

Whereas **Almy Slocum** having had A right of Membership with friends and under the Care of this Meeting but for want of faithfulness to the Dictates of truth and Friends Advise hath Neglected to attend our Religious Meeting and attended a Marriage Contrary to our order Also been in the practice of frequenting places of unprofitable Diversion and we have Labour'd with her to Convincer her of the Inconsistency of Such Conduct but Discover no Disposition for Amendment wherefore we are Concern'd to Testify against Such breach of our Rules and deny her the Said **Almy Slocum** from being any longer a member of our Society untill she shall be favour'd to be favour'd to return to the way of truth which is our Desire

Given forth at our Monthly Meeting **Mercy Slocum** Clerk  
Held in **Dartmouth** <sup>th</sup> 21 of <sup>th</sup> 1 m<sup>o</sup> 1793

## 131

**Rhoda Tucker** Informs She attended the Marrige of **George Almy** and **Elizabeth Tucker** and discover'd nothing but that it was Orderly Conducted – The Committee appointed to visit **Newtown** Meeting Report they all attended to their appointment Except **Mercy Slocum** and She Gave a Satisfac=  
=tory reason – and the Matter being Weightily Considerd its thought best to grant them their Request and that their Preparative Meeting be held on their usual Meeting day on the fifth day next after ours and that it be Denominated the North and ours the South and the bounds between them be as usually heretofore They have been Eastward as far only as to meet the line of **Bedford** Monthly Meeting which is united with and accepted

3<sup>d</sup> m<sup>o</sup>  
1793

At A Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held in **Dartmouth** <sup>th</sup> 18<sup>th</sup> of the 3<sup>d</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1793

Representatives from the South Preparative Meeting are

**Susannah Wood** and **Basheba Howland** and from the North  
**Elizabeth Tripp** and **Ruth Mosher** all present

**Elizabeth Tripp** Informs she did not attend the  
Marriage of **George Almey** and **Elizabeth Tucker** by reason  
of Indisposition – **Patience Shepherd** desires A Certificate  
from this Meeting to the Monthly Meeting at **Vasselborough**  
**Jerusha Smith** and **Anna Eddy** are appointed to prepare one  
and bring to the Next Monthly Meeting if they find nothing to  
hinder – **Benjamin Howland the third** desires A Certificate  
for himself and family to the Monthly Meeting at **Saratogae**  
**Hannah Wood** and **Lucy Howland** are appointed to Join the men  
<sup>^Friends</sup>to prepare one and bring to the next Monthly Meeting if they  
find nothing to Hinder – Our Esteemed friend  
**Elisha Thornton** hath Attended this Meeting and produc'd  
A Copy of the Monthly Meeting Minuet of **Smithfield** dated  
the 31 of the 1<sup>d</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1793 whose Labours of Love hath been truly  
acceptable amongst us – And his Companion **Beneda Arnold**  
Produc'd a Copy of the Monthly Meeting Minuet at **Uxbridge**  
he being an approv'd Elder which is Likewise to Satisfaction

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This Meeting is Inform'd by the Overseers that **Sarah**  
**Slocum** Wife of **Elihu Slocum the Second** hath kept Company  
and Married out of the unity of friends Notwithstanding She  
was previously Cautioned but She not Adhereing thereto this  
Meeting denies her having any right of Membership with  
friends untill She is Convins'd of her Outgoings – the mens  
Meeting Concurring therewith **Hannah Mosher** is appointed  
to Inform **Sarah Slocum** of her Denial and report to the  
Next Monthly Meeting – The Queries and Answers with  
the Accounts have been read and Considerd in this Meeting and  
Sent to the Quarterly Meeting by our Representatives who are  
**Mary Smith** and **Freelove Gifford** and they to Report to the  
Next Monthly Meeting – **Noah Lapham** and **Rachael**  
**Russell** declar'd their Intention of Marriage with Each other  
Before this Meeting and are Desir'd to wait till Next Monthly  
Meeting for their Answer they having Consent of parents  
**Mercy Anthony** and **Mary Smith** are appointed to Inspect  
**Rachael Russells** Clearness respecting Marriage and  
Conversation and report to the Next Monthly Meeting

4<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup>  
1793

At A Monthly Meeting of Women friends held  
in **Dartmouth** <sup>th</sup> 15<sup>th</sup> of y<sup>r</sup> 4<sup>d</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1793

Representatives from the South Preparative Meeting are  
**Mary Tucker** and **Mercy Anthony** and those from the North  
are **Rhoda Mott** and **Rhoda Tucker** all present Except  
**Rhoda Tucker** who Sent the Occasion of her Absence

**Hannah Mosher** Informs She hath Inform'd **Sarah Slocum**



of her Denial ----- An Epistle from the  
Yearly Meeting in **London** dated from the y<sup>r</sup> 21<sup>d</sup> the 29<sup>th</sup>  
of the 5<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1792 Inclusive was read in this Meeting Containing  
much Salutory advice which we desire may be deeply Impress[?]  
on every mind – The Friends appointed to attend the  
Quarterly Meeting Inform they attended ----  
The Friends appointed to inspect **Rachael Russells**  
Clearness Respecting Marriage and Conversation Inform they

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Find nothing to hinder their proceeding – the friends appointed  
to prepare a Certificate for **Mary Howland** Wife to **Benjamin Howland**  
and Children Namely **Silvia Humphrey martha Mary** and **Harmony**  
directing them as Members to the Monthly Meeting at **Saratogae**  
which was read approv'd and Sign'd Likewise one for **Patience**  
**Shepherd** was read approv'd and Signed Recommending her a  
member to the Monthly Meeting at **Vasselborough**

**Noah Lapham** and **Rachael Russell** appear for their  
Answer which was they may proceed in Marriage between this  
and the Next Monthly Meeting Observing the good order of friends  
**Mary Smith** and **Anna Eddy** are appointed to have the Oversight  
of their Marriage and report to the next Monthly Meeting

The Overseers Inform this Meeting that **Hannah Akins**  
Formerly ~~Smith~~ **Howland** hath Married out of the Unity of friends  
**Deborah Hicks Martha Chace** and **Deborah Allen** are appointed  
to make her a visit on the account and report when ready

*5<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup>* At A Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held in  
*1793* **Dartmouth** <sup>th</sup> 20 of th 5<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1793

The Representatives from the South Preparative Meeting are  
**Lucy Howland** and **Mary Smith** and those from the North are  
**Rhoda Tucker** and **Rebecca Smith** all Present ~~~

The Friends appointed to have the Oversight of **Noah**  
**Lapham** and **Rachel Russells** Marriage Inform they attended  
and that it was Orderly Conducted – The Matter  
of **Hannah Akins** is Refer'd another Month by reason of  
Sickness

*6<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup>* At A Monthly of Women friends held in  
*1793* **Dartmouth** y 17<sup>th</sup> y<sup>r</sup> 6<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1793

The Representatives from the South Preparative Meeting are  
**Jerusha Smith** and **Lucy Howland** and from the North **Elizabeth**  
**Tripp** and **Rhoda Mott** all present

This Meeting Ajourns to the 24<sup>th</sup> Instant

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Mett by Adjournment th 24<sup>th</sup> of th 6<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1793  
 Representatives all present Except **Rhoda Mott** – This  
 Meeting Is Inform'd from the mens they are about to Deny unity  
 with **Benjamin Rider the Second** which this Meeting Concurr with

Our Esteemed Friend **Sarah Talbert** attended this Meting  
 With a Certificate from the Monthly Meeting of **Concord  
 Delaware County Pennsylvania** Dated the 8<sup>th</sup> of the 5<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1793  
 which was read amongst us to Satisfaction and her Gospel  
 Labours Commortable and Edyfing – The Queries and  
 Answers with the Accounts have been read and Considerd in  
 this Meeting and Sent to the Quarterly Meeting by our  
 Representatives who are **Martha Chase Jerusha Smith Nanny  
 Gifford** and **Ruth Tucker** and they to report to the next  
 Monthly Meeting – The Committee appointed to  
 make **Hannah Akins** a Visit report they have had A solid  
 Opportunity with her but not finding her in adisposition to  
 make friends Satisfaction this Meeting with the Concurrence  
 of the Mens do deny her having any right of Membership  
 with friends untill She may be favour'd with a Sense of her  
 Outgoings – Our Esteemed Friend **Elias Hicks**  
 Attended this Meeting and produc'd a Certificate from the  
 Monthly Meeting held at **Jerico on Long Island** dated the  
 19<sup>th</sup> of the 4<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1793 Which was read in this Meeting to good  
 Satisfaction and his Gospel Labour amongst <sup>us</sup> was much to  
 Edification Likewise our Friend **Stephen Meddenhall** produc'd  
 a Copy of the Monthly Meeting at **Concord in Deleware  
 County** dated the 5<sup>th</sup> of the 6<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1793 and a Copy of the  
 Minuet of **Purchase** Monthly Meeting in the State of **Newyork**  
 dated the 9<sup>th</sup> of the 5<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1793 In Behalf of our Esteemed  
 Friend **James Mott** all which was read to good Satisfaction  
**Susannah Allen** is appointed to Inform **Hannah Akins** of  
 her Denial and report to the Next Monthly Meeting

7<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup>  
 1793

At A Monthly Meeting of Women friends  
 held in **Dartmouth** th 15<sup>th</sup> of th 17 m<sup>o</sup> 1793  
 Representatives from the South Preparative Meeting are  
**Elizabeth Howland**<sup>Slocum</sup> and **Elizabeth Sandford** are from the North  
**Jedida Mosher** and **Elizabeth Tripp** all present  
 The Representatives appointed to attend the Quarterly  
 Inform they all attended agreeable to appointment  
**Susannah Allen** Informs She has Informd **Hannah Akins**  
 of her Denial **Elizabeth Boreman** hath attended this  
 Meeting with a Copy of Minuet from the Monthly Meeting  
 att **Assellborough** dated the 15<sup>th</sup> of the 5<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1793 which  
 was read and accepted **Abthia Shepherd** desires  
 A Certificate from this Meeting for herself and Children  
 whose names are **William** and **David** Recommending them to  
**Bedford** Monthly Meeting **Elizabeth Tripp** and **Experience  
 Hart** are appointed to prepare one and bring to the next Monthly  
 Meeting if they find Nothing to hinder

8<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup>  
1793

At A Meeting of Women Friends held in  
**Dartmouth** the 19 of <sup>th</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1793

Representatives from the South Preparative Meeting  
are **Elizabeth Howland** and **Jerusha Smith** and those from  
the North are **Rhoda Tucker** and **Ruth Mosher** all present

Receiv'd a Transcript of an Epistle from the Yearly  
Meeting of Women Friends held at **Philidelphia** Dated  
From 24<sup>d</sup> of the 9<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1792 to the 28<sup>th</sup> of the Same Inclusive  
with two Transcript from **Long Island** one Dated y 26 of  
the 5<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1792 the other Dated from the 25<sup>th</sup> of <sup>th</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup>  
to the 30<sup>th</sup> of the Same which was read in this Meeting and  
the Advice therein Contained was Commortable and Satisfactory

The Committee that had the Oversight of the  
Meetings in **Allens Neck** report that they was  
Attended to a good Degree of Satisfaction which is  
Accepted

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9<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup>  
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At A Monthly Meeeting of Women Friends  
held in **Dartmouth** <sup>th</sup> 16<sup>th</sup> of <sup>th</sup> 9<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1793

Representatives from the South Preparative Meeting  
are **Sarah Howland** and **Susannah Wood** and those from  
the North are **Elizabeth Tripp** and **Freelove Gifford** all  
present. Our Esteemed Friend **Rufus Hall**  
Attended this Meeting with a Certificate from the  
Monthly Meeting at **Saratogue** dated <sup>th</sup> 18<sup>th</sup> of <sup>th</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1793  
Likewise a Certificate for his Companion **Zebulon Hoxie**  
Datetd from the Same Monthtly Meeting was read to good  
Satisfaction in this Meeting – The Queries and  
Answers with the Accounts was read approv'd and sign'd  
in this Meeting and Sent up to the Quarterly Meeting  
by our Representatives who are **Mercy Anthony** and  
**Experience Hart** and **Anna Eddy** and they to report to  
the next Monthly Meeting – A New Choice of  
Overseers Coming before this Meeting for Consideration and  
this Meeeting appoints **Mercy Anthony Mary Tucker** and  
**Rhoda Gifford** into the Service for the Ensuing Year

**Silvia** and **Mehetable Smith** hath presented a few  
lines to this Meeting Condemning their attending a Marriage  
out of the unity of Friends which is accepted the mens  
Meeting Concurring therewith – **Silvia** and **Mehetable**  
**Smith** Daughters of **Eliship Smith** desires a Certificate  
**Rhoda Tucker** and **Experience Hart** is appointed to prepare  
one and bring to the Next Monthly Meeting if they  
find nothing to hinder.

It is advis'd from the

Mens Meeting that a Solid Committee be appointed to Assist the Overseers to Labour with those friends that have So far gone from that plainness and Simplicity that truth leads into which is referd to Next Monthly Meeting

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10<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup>  
1793

At A Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held in **Dartmouth** the 21 of the 10<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1793 Representatives from the South Preparative Meeting are **Lucy Howland** and **Hannah Wood** and those from the North are **Rhoda Tucker** and **Experience Hart** all present Except **Experience Hart** One of the Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting Inform they all attended – The friends appointed to prepare ~~one an~~ a Certificate for **Silvia** and **Mehetable Smith** Daughters of **Eliship Smith** have prepar'd one and brought to this Meeting which was read approv'd and Sign'd in this and the mens Meeting and Directed to the Monthly Meeting at **Saratoga** – Receiv'd an Epistle from the Yearly Meeting <sup>^of Women Friends</sup> held at **Newport** on **Rhodisland** Dated from th 14<sup>th</sup> of the 6<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1793 to the 18<sup>th</sup> of the Same which was read in this Meeting Recommending a more general Care might be Continued towards the poor and that an Account thereof might be Sent up to the Next Yearly Meeting **Catharine Brigs** Wife to **Cornelius Brigs** desires a removal Certificate recommending her a member to the Monthly Meeting at **Saratogue** **Martha Smith** and **Barshaba Howland** are appointed to take the Nessessary Care and if they find Nothing to hinder prepare one and bring to the Next Monthly Meeting Likewise to Join the <sup>^men to</sup>prepare one ~~and bring~~ for **Rachel Lapham** Wife to **Noah Lapham** if Nothing appears to hinder

This Meeting is Inform'd from the mens they Are About to deny unity witt **Weston Howland** for Marrying Contrary to the order of friends which this Meeting Concurs With

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11<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup>  
1793

At A Monthly Meeting of Women Friends ~~€~~ held in **Dartmouth** y<sup>e</sup> 18<sup>th</sup> of <sup>th</sup> 11 m<sup>o</sup> 1793

Representatives from the South Preparative Meeting are **Bethia Russell** and **Jerusha Smith** and those from the North are **Rhoda Tucker** and **Nanna Gifford** all present Except **Jerusha Smith** who Sent a Satisfactory reason

The Friends appointed to prepare a Certificate for **Catharine Brigs** [**Briggs**] hath prepar'd one which was read approv'd And Sign'd in this Meeting and Directed to the Monthly

Meeting at **Saratoga** — The Queries and Answers with the Accounts have been read and Considerd in this Meeting and Sent to the Quarterly Meeting by our Representatives who are **Sarah Howland Rhoda Tucker** and **Mercy Slocum** and they to report to the Next Monthly Meeting

**Elizabeth Almy** desires a Certificate to the Monthly Meeting at **Bedford [New Bedford]** **Anna Eddy** and **Rhoda Tucker** are appointed to prepare one and bring to the Next Monthly Meeting if they find Nothing to hinder

The Overseers hath Presented a Complaint to this Meeting Against **Phebe S'ranton** for Secretly Conveying a peice of Cloth from **Henry Tuckers** Shop which appears to be matter of fact **Mercy Anthony** and **Mary Smith** are appointed to make her a Visit on the Occasion and prepare A Testimony of Denial against her and bring to the Next Monthly Meeting

This Meeting appoints **Bethia Russell** an Overseer of the Poor for the Year Ensuing The Friends in **Allens Neck** request the Liberty of holding Meetings in their Neighbourhood in the Usual Manner the Winter Season on first and fifth Days Except in which the Meetings for Dicipline is held One month at **Peleg Slocums** two months at **Elijah Giffords** and the Rest of the time at **Timothy Giffords** and under the Care of A Committee to Join the men who are **Hannah Wood Deborah Allen** and **Mercy Slocum** Some or other to Attend at Each place and report at the Expiration of time And the Meetings to begin next first Day

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At A Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held in

12<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup>  
1793

**Dartmouth** <sup>th</sup> 16<sup>th</sup> of th 12<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1793

No Representatives from the South Preparative Meeting by reason of the Severity of the Weather from the North **Elizabeth Tripp** and **Experience Hart Elizabeth Tripp** Present

The Representatives Inform they all Attended the Quarterly Meeting Except **Sarah Howland**

The Friends Appointed to prepare a Certificate for **Elizabeth Almey [Almy]** wife to **George Almy** hath prepar'd one which was read approv'd and Signed in this and the Mens Meeting and Directed to the Monthly Meeting at **New Bedford**

The Overseers Inform <sup>^This Meeting</sup> that **Meria Barker** formerly ~~Smith~~ **Tripp** hath so far departed from the good Order Establish'd amongst friends as to Marry Contrary to the Order thereof and for her Outgoings this Meeting with the Concurrence of the Men do deny her having any right ~~with~~ of Membership with Friends — Receiv'd a Certificate from the Monthly Meeting at **Rhodisland [Rhode Island]** in behalf of **Theodate Johnson** which is Accepted — This Meeting is Inform'd from the mens they have Deny'd **Ebenezer Allen** Son of **Obadiah Allen** any right of Membership with friends which this Meeting Concurs With **Hannah Mosher** is appointed to Inform **Meria Barker** of her Denial and Report to the Next Monthly Meeting **Mary Smith** and **Jerusha Smith** are appointed to prepare a Certificate for

**Elizabeth Johnson** if upon Enquiry they find Nothing to hinder and bring to the Next Monthly Meeting — A Certificate for **Noah Lapham** and Wife wife [*sic*] was read approv'd and Sign'd and Directed to the Monthly Meeting at **Saratogue [Saratoga]**

This Meeting is Inform'd from the Mens they have deny'd Unity with **Lemuel Barker** which meets the Concurrence of this — This Meeting appoints **Jerusha Smith** an Overseer of Disorders for the Year Ensuing

The Friends Appointed to prepare a Testimony of Denial Against **Phebe Scranton** have prepar'd one and brought to this Meeting which was read approv'd and Sign'd in this Meeting as is to be read in the Publick usual manner

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And Returnd to the Clerk to go on Record between this and the Next Monthly Meeting — This Meeting Adjourns to the 26 of this Instant

Mett by by adjournment <sup>th</sup> 25 of <sup>th</sup> 12<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1793  
The Clerk being Absent this Meeting appoints **Anna Eddy** Clerk for the Day — The Representatives are all absent

*1<sup>d</sup> m<sup>o</sup>*  
*1794* At A Monthly Meeting of Women friends held  
in **Dartmouth** <sup>th</sup> 20 of <sup>th</sup> 1<sup>d</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1794

Representatives from the South Preparative Meeting are **Lucy Howland** and **Anna Eddy** and those from the North are **Rhoda Mott** and **Rebecca Russell** all present **Phebe Scrantons** Testimony of Denial hath been read Agreeable to the Conclusion of last Monthly Meeting and is as follows

Whereas **Phebe Scranton** Wife of **Benjamin Scranton** having had A birthright amongst Friends but She disregarding The Testimony of truth and so far under the power of Darkness as to take goods out of **Henry Tuckers** Shop Privily in a Clandistine manner and Cary them home and then deny'd it and after that She own'd it and the like Conduct She did at Several other places and Denied it which Manifestly appeared afterwards by her own Confession which Shameful Conduct hath brought a reproach on Friends who being under a deep Concern and Excercise of mind that the truth and the holy Proffession we bear may be Cleared and preserved from Such Odious Scandals and Reproaches and in order that Riteous Judgment may be brought forth and placed upon the Offender according to the Nature of the Offence friends having Labourd with her in order to bring her to A Sight of her Misconduct but our Labours not having the Desir'd affect to friends Satisfaction Therefore for

the Clearing of truth and friends from the Reproach  
of Such Practises this Meeting is Concern'd to give  
this forth against Such Conduct hereby Publickly disowning  
her the Said **Phebe Scranton** from being one of our  
Society and from under the Care of this friends

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Nevertheless Desiring if it be Agreeable to Divine Pleasure  
that She may yet be restor'd from the Evil of her ways and by  
Unfeigned Repentance Return to the way of truth and find Mercy  
Signed by order and in behalf of Said Meeting

by **Mercy Slocum** Clerk  
**Joseph Estes** Clerk

The Overseers have brought a report of their Labour with **Lidia Chace** for attending at places of publick Diversion **Hannah Wood** and **Mercy Slocum** are appointed to Labour with her and report when ready — Read and Signed a Removal Certificate for **Elizabeth Johnson** recommending her a Member a member [*sic*] to **Saratogue [Saratoga]** Monthly Meeting — This Meeting is Inform'd by the Overseers that **Lydia Russell** formerly **Gifford** hath kept Company and Married out of the Unity of friends she being timely Precautioned thereof this Meeting with the Concurrence of the Mens do deny her having any right of Membership with friends **Elizabeth Slocum** is appointed to Inform **Lidia Russell** of her denial and Report to the next Monthly Meeting

And Epistle from the Yearly Meeting in **London** was read in this Metting to good Satisfaction Dated from the 20 to the 28<sup>th</sup> of the 5<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1793 This Meeting is Inform'd from the Mens they are about to deny Unity with **John Eddy** Son of **Zephaniah Eddy** which this Meeting Concurrs with — **Asa Mosher** and **Bethia Mosher** Declar'd their Intention of taking Each Other in Marriage before this Meeting and are desir'd to wait till next Monthly Meeting for their answer they having Consent of Parents **Elizabeth Tripp** and **Freelove Gifford** are appointed to Inspect the young Womans Clearness respecting Marriage and Conversation and report to the Next Monthly Meeting

2<sup>d</sup> m<sup>o</sup>  
1794

At A Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held in **Dartmouth** <sup>th</sup> 17 of <sup>th</sup> 2<sup>d</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1794  
Representatives from the South Preparative Meeting are **Mary Smith** and **Elizabeth Howland** and from the North **Elizabeth Tripp** and **Experience Hart** all present

The Matter of **Lydia Chace** is Referd another Month  
Under the Same friends Care

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This Meeting Appoints **Elizabeth Tripp** an overseer of

the poor for the Ensuing year **Mary ~~Poor~~ Potter** Desires a few lines recommending her a member to the Monthly Meeting at **Saratoga Elizabeth Tripp** and **Experience Hart** are desir'd to take the necessary care and if nothing appears to hinder to prepare a Certificate and bring to the Next Monthly Meeting. — **Susannah Tripp** Desires a Certificate Recommending her to the Monthly Meeting at **Saratoga Hannah Wood** and **Mercy Slocum** are Appointed to prepare one and bring to the Next Monthly Meeting if they find Nothing to hinder, **Hannah Mosher** Reports She has Inform'd **Meriah Barker** of her Denial — This Meeting is Inform'd from the Mens <sup>Meeting</sup> they have Concluded to Deny Unity with **Jonathan Howland** which Meets the Concurrence of this Meeting

The Friends appointed to Inspect **Bethiah Moshers** Clearness Respecting Marriage and Conversation report they find nothing to hinder their proceeding, **Asa Mosher** and **Bethiah Mosher** appear'd for their Answer which was they may proceed in Marriage between this and the next Monthly Meeting observing the good order Establish'd amongst Friends **Rhoda Tucker** and **Elizabeth Tripp** are appointed to have the Oversight of their Marriage and report to the Next Monthly Meeting

*3<sup>d</sup> m<sup>o</sup>  
1794* At A Monthly Meeting of Friends held in **Dartmouth** <sup>th</sup> 17 of <sup>th</sup> 3<sup>d</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1794

Representatives from the South Preparative Meeting are **Jerusha Smith** and **Bethiah Russess [Russell]** and from the North **Rhoda Tucker** and **Rhoda Mott** all present the Matter of **Lydia Chace** is Still Refer'd **Rhoda Tucker** Informs She attended the Marriage of **Asa** and **Bethiah Mosher** and Discover'd Nothing but that it was Orderly Conducted — The Friends appointed to prepare Certificates for **Susannah Tripp** a wife to **Peleg Tripp** and **Mary Potter** hath presented them which was read approv'd and Sign'd in this and the mens Meeting and Directed to the Monthly Meeting at **Saratoga** — **Elizabeth ~~Tripp~~ Slocum** Informs She has Acquainted **Lydia Russess [Russell]** of her Denial The Queries and Answers with the Accounts have been read Considerd and Sign'd in this Meeting and Sent to the Quarterly Meeting by our Representatives who are

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**Sarah Howland Mercy Anthony** and **Rhoda Tucker** and they to report to the Next Monthly Meeting — The Clerk Informs the Minuets have been Corrected and Recorded up to the 3<sup>d</sup> month

The Overseers accounts have been Examined and a Settlement with the treasurear and there Remains in Stock £1 6<sup>s</sup> 8<sup>d</sup>  
**Martha Chase** Informs this Meeting She is about to Remove with her family and desire a Certificate for herself and Children - **Deborah Hicks** and **Mercy Slocum** are appointed to take the Necessary Care and prepare one and bring to the Next Monthly Meeting

This Meeting is Likewise Inform'd that **Sarah Russess [Russell]** daughter of **Thomas Russell** is gone on a visit to **Saratoga** and as She is like to make Some Stay its thought best to Send her a Certificat  
**Mercy Anthony** and **Phebe Smith** are appointed to take a necessary



Care and prepare one and bring to the Next Monthly Meeting

The Overseers Informs this Meeting that **Penelapa [Penelope] Barker** hath attended Marriages out of the Order of Friends **Sarah Howland Martha Smith** and **Elizabeth Slocum** are Desir'd to make her a visit on the account and report to the Next Monthly Meeting. — **Phebe Shepherd** hath Return'd with the Copy of a Minuet which She had Directed to the Monthly Meeting at **Vasselborough** Dated <sup>th</sup> 21 of <sup>th</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1794

<sup>4<sup>th</sup></sup> m<sup>o</sup>  
1794 At A Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held  
in **Dartmouth** <sup>th</sup> 21 of <sup>th</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1794

Representatives from <sup>the</sup> South Preparative Meeting are **Elizabeth Howland** and **Silvester Howland** and from the North **Nanny Gifford** and **Elizabeth Tripp** all present

The Friends appointed to attend the Quartely Meeting Inform they all attended agreeable to appointments

The Committee appointed to visit **Lydia Chace** for her Outgoings Inform they have had Several Solid Opportunities with her and they not Meeting with Satisfaction this Meeting appoints **Hannah Wood** and **Mary Slocum** to prepare A Testimony of Denial against [~~Heeble~~]<sup>her</sup> and bring to the Next Monthly Meeting — The Friends appointed to prepare a Certificate for **Sarah Russess [Russell]** Daughter of **Thomas Russell** have presented one which was read approv'd and Sign'd in this and the Mens Meeting and directed to the Monthly Meeting at **Saratoga**

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The Friends appointed to visit **Penelepa [Penelope] Barker** Informs they have had a Solid Opportunity with her and they not Meeting with Satisfaction this Meeting with the Concurrence of the mens Deny her having any right of Membership with Friends

A Certificate for **Benjamin Cheace [Chace]** — his Wife **Martha** And their Children namely **Patience Anna Martha Benjamin Joseph William** and **Mary** which was read approvd and Sign'd in this and the Mens Meeting and Directed to the Monthly Meeting at **Hoosuck** – This Meeting is Inform'd by the Overseers that **Edith Case** formerly **Anthony** hath kept Company and Married out of the Unity of friends She being Seasonably Precautioned Therefore this Meeting with the Concurrence of the mens Deny her having any right of Membership with Friends **Sarah Gifford** is appointed to acquaint **Penelapa Barker** of her Denial and Report to the next Monthly Meeting **Sarah Howland** is appointed to Inform **Edith Case** of her Denial and Report to the next Monthly Meeting

5<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup>  
1794

At A Monthly Meeting of Friends held in  
**Dartmouth** <sup>th</sup> 19 of <sup>th</sup> 5 m<sup>o</sup> 1794

Representatives from the South Preparative Meeting are **Mary Wing** and **Abigail Shepherd** and those from the North are **Rhoda Tucker** and **Abigail Russell** all present **Sarah Gifford** reports She Inform'd **Penelapa [Penelope] Barker** of her Denial. — **Anna Eddy** and **Rhoda Tucker** are appointed to prepare a Certificate for **Lillis Wood** Wife to **Chilan Wood** and bring to the Next Monthly Meeting by reason the One that was Sent did not Come to hand

**Hannah Gifford** formerly **Russell** hath presented ~~one~~  
A few lines to this Meeting Condemning her outgoings **Elizabeth Tripp** and **Rhoda Tucker** are appointed to Inspect the Sincerity of her mind therein and report when Ready

This Meeting is Inform'd from the mens they are about to Deny Unity with **James Howland** Son of **Jonathan Howland** which meets the Concurrence of this Meeting

This Meeting is Inform'd that **Lusannah Smith** Daughter of **John Smith** hath gone on a visit to <sup>her</sup> Friends ~~in Saratoga~~ within the Verge of **Saratoga** Monthly Meeting

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These may Inform that She is a member of this Meeting and as Such we Recommend her to your Christian Care and <sup>the</sup> Clerk is Directed to Send her a Copy of this Minuet

6<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup>  
1794

At A Monthly Meeting of Friends held in  
**Dartmouth** <sup>th</sup> 16 of <sup>th</sup> 6<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1794

Representatives from the South Preparative Meeting are **Jerusha Smith** and **Lucy Howland** and those from the North are **Rhoda Tucker** and **Rebecca Smith** all present Except **Rebecca Smith**

The Clerk of this Meeting being Absent this Meeting appoints **Elizabeth Slocum** Clerk for the Day. — A Certificate for **Lillis Wood** Wife of **Chilion Wood** was read approv'd and Sign'd in this and the mens Meeting and Directed to the Monthly Meeting at **Saratoga** **Rhoda Tucker** and **Lucy Howland** are appointed to prepare a few lines in Behalf of **Deborah Barlow** and bring to the Next Monthly ~~Monthly~~ Meeting provided her acknowledgment be accepted

This Meeting ajourns to the 23<sup>d</sup> Instant  
Mett by ajournment <sup>th</sup> 23<sup>d</sup> of <sup>th</sup> 6<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1794

Representatives all present this Meeting appoints **Bethia Russell** Clerk for the Day the Friends appointed to Draw A Testimony of Denial against **Lydia Chace** have prepar'd one which was read approv'd and Sign'd and is to be read in the Publick usual manner and return'd to the Clerk to go on record

Our Esteemed Friend **Joshua Evans** attended this Meeting and produc'd a Certificate from the Monthly Meeting at **Haddensfield** in **Newjersey [New Jersey]** which was Read to Satisfaction

in this Meeting his Gospel Labours being Satisfactory amongst us. ——— The Queries and Answers with the accounts have been read and Consider'd in this Meeting and Sent to the Quarterly Meeting by our Representatives who are **Mary Tucker Elizabeth Howland** and **Bethiah Russell** and they to report to the Next Monthly Meeting **Hannah Wood** and **Lucy Howland** are appointed to prepare a Certificate for **Sarah Riketson [Ricketson]** Recommending her to the Monthly Meeting at **New Bedford**

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7<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup>  
1794

At A Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held in **Dartmouth** <sup>th</sup> 21<sup>d</sup> of <sup>th</sup> 7<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1794

The Clerk of this Meeting being Absent this Meeting appoints **Edith Russell** Clerk for the day Representatives from the South Preparative Meeting are **abigail Shepherd** and **Jerusha Smith** and those from the North **Elizabeth Tripp** and **Ruth Mosher** all present the Representatives appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting Inform they all attended Receiv'd an Epistle from the Yearly Meeting of Women Friends held at **Newport** <sup>th</sup> 13 of <sup>th</sup> 6<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1794 to the 17<sup>th</sup> of the Same Inclusive with Transcripts from **Philidelphia [Philadelphia]** and **Newyork [New York]** which was read in this Meeting to the Comfort of the Honest Hearted amongst us the Advice therein Contain'd being both Edifiing and Comfortable

**Anna Eddy Mary Tucker** and **Bethiah Russell** are appointed to prepare a removal Certificate for **Elizabeth Allen** Recommending her to the Monthly Meeting at **Oblong** And bring to the next Monthly Meeting if they find nothing to hinder ——— **Sarah Gifford Deborah Hix [Hicks]** and **Hannah Wood** are appointed to visit **Roba Russell** in order to Discover the State of her mind Respecting her Father **Stepen [Stephen] Russells** request for her and they to report when ready ——— **Hannah Wood** and **Lucy Howland** have prepar'd A Certificate for **Sarah Riketson [Ricketson]** and Brought to this Meeting which was read approv'd and Sign'd in this and the Mens Meeting

8<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup>  
1794

At A Monthly Meeting of Women Friends Held in **Dartmouth** <sup>th</sup> 18 of <sup>th</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1794

Representatives from the South Preparative Meeting are **Mary Smith** and **Susannah Wood** and those from the North are **Ruth Tucker** and **Ruth Mosher** all present ——— A Testimony of Denial against **Lidia Chace** hath been read

Agreeable to the Conclusion of last Monthly Meeting and is as follows

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**Lydia Chace** having had a Birth Right among Friends and under the Care of this Meeting but for want of a faithful Attention to the dictates of Truth and friends Advice hath So far departed therefrom as to attend places of Diversion such as Musick and Dancing for which unwarrantable Conduct we have Admonished her from time to time to refrain from Such Dangerous practices but our Labours fail'd of the Desir'd affect; Wherefore we are Concern'd for the Clearing of truth and our Society from Such Reproach to thus Publickly Testify against her and no longer hold her a member of our Society untill She Shall be favour'd to Return to the Way of truth which thath She may is our Sincere Desire — Given forth at our Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** <sup>th</sup> 21<sup>d</sup> of <sup>th</sup> 7<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1794

**Edith Russell** Clerk for the day

This Meeting appoints **Edith Russell** Clerk of the Preparative Meeting for the Ensuing year — This Meeting is Inform'd from the mens Meeting they have Concluded to Deny unity with **Gilbert Howland** Son of **Gideon** which meets the Concurrence of this

<sup>9<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup></sup>  
1794 At A Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held in **Dartmouth** <sup>th</sup> 15<sup>th</sup> of <sup>th</sup> 9<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1794

The Clerk being absent this Meeting appoints **Edith Russell** Clerk for the day — Representatives from the South Preparative Meeting are **Silvester Howland** and **Mary Wing** and those from the North **Elizabeth Tripp** and **Abigail Russell** all present — We are Inform'd from the men they are about to Receive **Samuel Gidley** into unity which this Meeting Concurs with — The Case of **Hannah Gifford** is Continued Another month under the Same friends Care —

**Ruth Davis** hath presented a few lines to this Meeting Condemning her outgoings Such as Attending Seperate Meetings **Jerusha Smith Abigail Shepherd** and **Anne Eddy** are Appointed to Inspect the Sincerity of her mind therein

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And make report when Ready the Queries and Answers with the Accounts have been read and Consider'd in this Meeting and Sent up to the Quarterly Meeting by our Representatives who are **Elizabeth Slocum Rhoda Tucker** and **Sarah Gifford** and they to make Report to the Next Monthly Meeting — It is the Conclusion of this Meeting that all our Midweek Meetings Be discontinued

that Week that the Quarterly Meeting is held Either here  
or at **Bedford** [**New Bedford**]

10<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup>  
1794 At A Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held  
in **Dartmouth** <sup>th</sup> 20 of <sup>th</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1794

Representatives from the South Preparative Meeting are  
**Mary Smith** and **Elizabeth Howland** and from the North are  
**Rhoda Mott** and **Rhoda ~~Mott~~ Tucker** all present

Representatives Inform they all attended the Quarterly  
Meeting agreeable to appointment — The Committee  
Appointed to visit **Roba Russell** report they have had an  
Opportunity with her to pruty good Satisfaction which report  
this Meeting with the Concurrence of the mens takes up  
Satisfied with and receive her a member of our Society  
Agreeable to the report of the Committee this Meeting  
accepts **Ruth Davis** Wife of **Richard Davis** Acknowledgment  
for Satisfaction and receive her into Membership again the  
mens Meeting Concurring therewith — The Committee  
Appointed to visit **Hannah Gifford** respecting her Acknow=  
ledgment Inform they have had a Solid opportunity with  
her and found her in So good a disposition they think  
it may be Safe to Receive her Acknowledgment for Satisfaction  
which with the Concurrence of the men is accepted She Causing  
it to be read in the usual publick manner and to be return'd  
to the Clerk in order to go on record. — The Committee  
appointed to prepare a Certificate for **Catharine Briggs** Wife  
of **Cornelius Brigs** [**Briggs**] have presented one which was read approv'd  
and Sign'd in this and the mens Meeting and Directed to the  
Monthly Meeting at **Saratoga** Likewise one for **Theodate**  
**Johnson** Recommending her A Member to the Same Monthly Meeting  
A Certificate for **Ruth Mosher** hath been read approv'd and Sign'd  
in this and the Mens Meeting Recommending her a member to  
the Monthly Meeting at **Nantucket**

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**Benjamin Howland Smith** and **Silvia Slocum** Declard their  
Intention of Marriage with Each Other and are desir'd to wait  
till next Monthly Meeting for their Answer they having Consent of  
parents **Elizabeth Slocum** and **Mary Smith** are appointed to Inspect  
**Silvia Slocums** Clearness Respecting Marriage and Conversation  
and report to the Next Monthly Meeting

11<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup>  
1794 At A Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held in  
**Dartmouth** <sup>th</sup> 17 of <sup>th</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1794

Representatives from the South Preparative Meeting are  
**Anna Eddy** and **Mary Tucker** and from the North **Experience**  
**Hart** and **Ruth Mosher** all present — the Friends appointed  
to Inspect **Silvia Slocums** Clearness Respecting Marriage  
~~and~~ report they find Nothing to hinder their proceeding —

The Queries and Answers with the Accounts hath been  
Read and Consider'd in this Meeting and Sent to the Quarterly

Meeting by our Representatives who are **Mercy Slocum Mary Tucker** and **Elizabeth Tripp** — **Benjamin Howland Smith** and **Silvia Slocum** appear for their Answer which was they might proceed in Marriage between this and the Next Monthly Meeting Observing the good Order of Friends **Anna Eddy** and **Mary Tucker** are appointed to Se their Marriage Orderly Conducted and report to the Next Monthly Meeting — This Meeting is Inform'd by the Overseers that **Abigail Hathaway** hath kept Company and Married out of the unity of Friends **Rhoda Tucker** and **Elizabeth Tripp** are appointed to visit her in Order to discover the State of her mind and report when ready — This meeting is Inform'd by the Overseers that **Hannah Smith** Daughter of **Deliverence** hath kept Company and Married and Attended divers Marriages out of the Order of Friends for which Sufficient Labour hath been bestow'd but She not being in a Disposition to make Friends Satisfaction it is the Conclusion of this Meeting to Disown her from any right of Membership with Friends the mens Meeting Concurring therewith, **Mary Smith** is appointed To Inform **Hannah Smith** of her Denial and report to the Next Monthly Meeting — The Friends appointed to have the Oversight of the Meetings in **Allens Neck** report they

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Was kept up ~~in a g~~ and in a good Degree orderly Except at two or three amongst Some of the young people there appear'd Some lightness for which Care was taken — **Bethiah Mosher** Informs this Meeting She is about to remove within the Verge of **Saratoga** Monthly Monthly [*sic*] to live with her Husband **Asa Mosher** and requests our Certificate Likewise **Ruth Mosher** is — about going to **Nantucket** to Stay Some time and Desires a few lines Recommending <sup>her</sup> a Member to that Monthly Meeting **Anna Eddy** and **Elizabeth Tripp** are appointed to prepare Certificates for them and bring to the Next Monthly Meeting if they find nothing to hinder — **Theodate Johnson** being Remov'd to live within the Verge of **Saratoga** Monthly Meeting and Desires our Certificate Recommending her to that Monthly Meeting **Lucy Howland** and **Hannah Wood** are appointed to prepare one and bring to the Next Monthly Meeting if nothing appears to hinder. — This Meeting Adjourns to the 24<sup>th</sup> Instant

The 24<sup>th</sup> Mett by Ajourments Representa=atives Called are all present Except **Abigail Russell** This Meeting is Informd from the mens they have Denied Unity with **William Briggs** Son of **David** which Meets the Concurrence of this — A Request from Friends in **Smiths**

**Neck** to hold Meetings there the Ensuing Winter was read and Considerd in this Meeting and after Solidly Deliberately thereon we do appoint **Deborah Hicks Rhoda Tucker Mercy Slocum Hannah Wood and Lucy Howland** to Carefully Visit the Petioners in order to Discover the propriety Safety and usefulness thereof and report there Sense and Judgment thereon ~~and report~~ to the Next Monthly Meeting

—— A Request from friends in **Allens Neck** to hold Meetings there the Ensuing Winter was read and Granted that they Should hold them in the manner therein propos'd, that is one Month at **Timothy Giffords** one at **Samuel Giffords** one at **Peleg Slocums** and the Remainder of the time at **Elijah Giffords** until the Monthly Meeting in the 4<sup>th</sup> Month Next and under the Care of a Committee who are **Elizabeth Slocum**

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**Elizabeth Howland Mary Wing and Sarah Gifford** and at the Expiration of S<sup>d</sup> time they to Report whether the Meetings were Conducted orderly — It is the Conclusion of this Meeting that for the future our Clections be made at the Monthly Meeting

12<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup>  
1794 At A Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held in **Dartmouth** <sup>th</sup> 15 of <sup>th</sup> 12<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1794

Representatives from the South Preparatative Meeting are **Anna Eddy and Lucy Howland** and those from the North are **Rhoda Mott and Elizabeth Tripp** all present Except **Elizabeth Tripp** who was prevented by Indisposition of body

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting Inform they all attended Agreeable to appointment ——

The Friends appointed to have the Care and Oversight of **Benjamin Howlands Smith and Silvia Slocums** Marriage Inform they attended to their appointment and discover'd Nothing but that it was Orderly Conducted —— **Mary Smith** Informs she hath Inform'd **Hannah Smith** of her Denial

This Meetings is Inform'd that **Ruth Davis** desires our Certificate Recommending her to the Monthly Meeting at **Sandwich** **Anna Eddy and Mary Smith** are appointed to take the Necessary Care and if Nothing appears to hinder to prepare one and bring to the Next Monthly Meeting ——

Our Estemed Friend **Rebecca Right** attended this Meeting with a Certificate from the Monthly Meeting held at **upper Springfield in New Jersey** Dated <sup>th</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> of <sup>th</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1794 Signifying their unity with her therein whose Company and Service amongst us was Comfortable and Edifying —— Collected at this Meeting Six Shillings and two pence —— The Committe appointed in Consequence of a request from friends in **Smiths Neck** to hold Meetings report that a full report be refer'd till next Monthly Meeting yet think it may be Safe to grant

Meetings one month on the following days that is the first fith day after the Monthly Meeting and one the therd fith and one the first day proceeding the Preparative Meeting under the Care of S<sup>d</sup> Committee

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This Meeting is Inform'd from the mens they are about to Deny unity with **Ephraim Gifford** Son of **Elijah Gifford** which this Meeting Concurs with Likewise to Deny unity with **Thomas Russell** for marrying Contrary to the order of Friends in which this Meeting unites

*1<sup>d</sup> m<sup>o</sup>* At A Monthly Meeting of Women Friends  
*1795* held in **Dartmouth** <sup>th</sup> 19 of <sup>th</sup> 1<sup>d</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1795

The Clerk being Absent this Meeting appoints **Sarah Gifford** Clerk for the Day — Representatives from the South Preparative Meeting are **Mary Smith** and **Mary Tucker** and from the North **Rhoda Tucker** and **Freelove Gifford** — Receiv'd and read in this Meeting an Epistle from our Friends in **London** Yearly Meeting held by ajournment from <sup>th</sup> 19<sup>th</sup> to the 28 of the 5<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1794 Containing much Salutary advice which was heard to Satisfac=  
=tion — A Certificate for **Ruth Davis** Wife of **Richard Davis** Recommending her a member to **Sandwich** Monthly Meeting was read approv'd and Sign'd in this Meeting

Receiv'd A Certificate from the Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders held in **London** by Ajournments from the 17<sup>th</sup> of <sup>th</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1794 to the 29<sup>th</sup> of the Same Inclusive Recommend=  
=ing our Esteem'd Friend **John Wigham** as a Minister who laid before them his Concern to pay a Religious visit to Friends in **North America** — Also one from the Monthly Meeting at **abberdeen** [**Aberdeen**] **North Britain** the 17<sup>th</sup> of <sup>th</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1794 With one from the half years Meeting held for **North Britain** at **Edinburgh** <sup>th</sup> 28 of <sup>th</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1794 Who Attended this Meeting to Satisfaction — The Committee that had the Care of the request of S<sup>d</sup> Friends in **Smiths Neck** report they think well to Continue Meetings there one month longer and for them to have three Meetings more in the time and to be held in the Same manner as they were last month at the House of **Hannahs Smiths** and under the Care of the Same Committee

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*2<sup>d</sup> m<sup>o</sup>* At A Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held in  
*1795* **Dartmouth** <sup>th</sup> 10 of <sup>th</sup> 2<sup>d</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1795

Representatives from the South Preparative meeting are **Abigail Shepherd** and **Bethiah Russell** and those from the



North are **Rhoda Mott** and **Hannah Potter** all present

The overseers Informs this Meeting that **Amey [Almy] Winslow** formerly **Barker** hath kept Company and Married out of the unity of Friends and had a Child Soon after marriage **Ruth Tucker** and **Experience Hart** are appointed to visit her on account of her misconduct and report when ready — This Meeting is Inform'd that **Abner Devol [Davol]** Requested a Certificate for himself and family to the Monthly Meeting at **Westport Rhoda Tucker** and **Ruth Mosher** are appointed to Join the men Friends in preparing one if nothing appears to hinder — **Abigail Hathaway** formerly **Mott** hath presented a paper to this Meeting Condemning her keeping Company and Marrying out of the Unity of Friends **Freelove Gifford** and **Hannah Potter** are Appointed to visit her and Endeavour to Discover the State Sincerity of her mind therein and report when ready — — The Committee that has the Care of the Meetings in **Smiths Neck** last Month report they attended to their appointment and report that the Meetings was Attended both Still and Quiet which was to Satisfaction and think well to Continue them one month Longer as they have been under the Care a of the Committe and at the house of **Mary Smiths** — Collected at this Meeting two Shillings and Six pence — It hath been advis'd to lay before the Monthly Meeting to have under Consideration what may be best to proceed in in Order to Stir up our Members that are So deficient in the attendance of our Religious Meetings **Rhoda Tucker Mercy Anthony** and **Deborah Allen** are appointed to Join the Committee of men Friends in order to labour with them as truth may Direct and report when ready

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3<sup>d</sup> m<sup>o</sup>  
1795

At A Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held in **Dartmouth** <sup>th</sup> 16 of <sup>th</sup> 3<sup>d</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1795

Representatives from the South Preparative Meeting are **Mary Tucker** and **Mary Smith** and those from the North are **Rhoda Tucker** and **Elizabeth Tripp** all present —

The matter of **Almy Winslow** is referd Another Month

Our Esteemed Friend **Joseph Cloud** attended this Meeting with a Certificate from the Monthly Meeting at **lone[?] Creek** Meeting house Dated the 2<sup>d</sup> of <sup>th</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1794 Likewise the Concurrence of the Quarterly Meeting held at **Lenter** Meeting House in **North Carolina** Dated the 11<sup>th</sup> of <sup>th</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1794 which was read in this Meeting to Satisfaction Whose Gospel Labours amongst us was acceptable and Edifying

The Friends that had the Care of **Abigail Hathaways** Acknowledgment report they have attended thereto and found So much Satisfaction they think it may be receiv'd which with the Concurrence of the mens Meeting is accepted — The Queries and Answers with the Accounts have been read and Considerd in this Meeting and Sent to the Quarterly Meeting by our Representatives who are **Rhoda Tucker Bethiah Russell** and **Sarah Howland** and they to report to the Next Monthly Meeting

This Meeting is Inform'd from the mens they have Accepted **Joseph Eastes [Estes]** and **John Howlands** Acknowledg=  
=ment for Satisfaction which this Meeting Unites with

This Meeting Is Inform'd that **Ruth Hart** is about to remove within the Verge of **Eastown [Easton]** Monthly Meeting and Desires A Certificate Recommending her thereto **Rhoda Tucker** and **Elizabeth Tripp** are appointed to take the Necessary Care and if Nothing appears to hinder to prepare one and bring to the Next Monthly Meeting and Likewise to Join the men in preparing one for **Seth Hart** Wife and ~~Ch~~ Children recommending to the Same Monthly Meeting at **Eastown [Easton]** — Collected at this Meeting Six Shillings and four pence

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**Zepheniah Buffington** and **Lydia Tucker** Declard their Intentions of marriage with Each other before this Meeting and are Desir'd to wait till next Monthly Meeting for their Answer they having Consent of Parents **Anna Eddy** **Mary Tucker** and **Mercy Slocum** are appointed to Inspect **Lydia Tuckers** Clearness respecting Marriage and Conversa=  
=tion and report to the Next Monthly Meeting

This Meeting ajourns to the 8<sup>th</sup> day of <sup>th</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1795  
Mett by ajournment <sup>th</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> day of <sup>th</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> [sic] Representatives Called all present — This Meeting is Inform'd from the mens they are about to Deny Unity with **Jonathan Allen** Son of **Obadiah Allen** which this Meeting Concurs with

<sup>4th</sup> m<sup>o</sup>  
1795 At A Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held in **Dartmouth** <sup>th</sup> 20 of <sup>th</sup> 4 m<sup>o</sup> 1795

Representatives from the South ~~Preparate~~ Preparative Meeting are **Jerusha Smith** and **Elizabeth Howland** and from the North **Experience Hart** and **Ruth Tucker** all present; The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting report that none Attended except **Rhoda Tucker, Sarah Howland** Informs She did not attend by Reason of Indisposition **Bethiah Russell** Likewise Informs She went but Could not Attend by reason of the Severity of the Weather; This Meeting is Inform'd from the mens they have Concluded to except [accept] **Rescum Kerby [Kirby]** Acknowledgment

for Satisfaction which this Meeting Concurs with

The Matter of **Amey [Almy] & Winslow** is Refer'd Another month under the Care of the Same Committee.

This Meeting is Inform'd from the mens they are About to deny unity with **Holder Slocum the Second** which meets the Concurrence of this

The Committee appointed to prepare a Certificate for **Bethiah Mosher** Wife to **Asa Mosher** have

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Presented one Likewise one for **Ruth Hart** and one for **Seth Hart** and his Wife **Abigail** and their Children Namely **Humphrey Calep Philip** and **William Anthony** was read approv'd and Sign'd recommending them to the Monthly Meeting at **Eastown [Easton]** ——— This Meeting is Inform'd from the mens <sup>^they</sup> have appointed **Jonathan Hart** to the Station of an Elder which this meeting Concurs with — This Meeting is Inform'd from the mens that they are about to Deny unity with **Deliverence Smith** which this Meeting unites with ———

This Meeting appoints **Edith Russell** Clerk for the year Ensuing and **Bethiah Russell** her Assistant

This Meeting is Inform'd that **Elihu Mosher** has Remov'd within the Verge of **New Bedford** Monthly Meeting and Requests a Certificate for himself and Wife recommending them thereto **Freelove Gifford** and **Elizabeth Tripp** are appointed to Join the Committee of men in preparing one and bring to the Next Monthly Meeting if Nothing appears to hinder; This Meeting is Like=  
=wise Inform'd that **James Allen** desired A Certificate for himself and family recommending them to the Same Monthly Meeting **Deborah Hicks** and **Sarah Gifford** are Appointed to Join the men in Preparing one and Bring to the Next Monthly Meeting ——— The Committee Appointed to Inspect **Lydia Tucker's** Clearness respecting marriage report they find Nothing to hinder their proceeding; **Zepheniah Buffington** and **Lydia Tucker** appear'd for their Answer which was they might proceed in Marriage between this and the Next Monthly Meeting Observing the Good Order of friends **Experience Hart** and **Mercy Slocum** are appointed to See their marriage Solemnized and Conducted Orderly and Report to the Next Monthly Meeting — **Newtown** Preparative Meeting Collected Three Shillings — A Certificate for **Abner Devol [Daval]** and his Wife **Abigail** and their Children was read approv'd and Sign'd in this Meeting recommending them as members

To the Monthly Meeting at **Accoakset** [**Acoaxet**] ———  
**Hannah Giffords** Aknowledgment hath been read Agreeable  
to the Conclusion of the Monthly Meeting and is as follows

To the Preparative and Monthly Meeting of Friends  
held at **Dartmouth** the 9<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> of <sup>th</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1794

Whereas I have so <sup>far</sup> Deviated from the good  
order Established Amongst Friends as to keep Company  
and marry out and Likewise in having a Child Soon after  
marriage all which I am Sorry and do Condemn; hoping  
God will forgive me and Friends pass it by and Still  
Suffer me to remain under your Christian Care; from  
your Friend  
**Hannah Gifford**

The Audits Inform they have Inspected the Overseers  
Accounts and Settled with the Treasury and One pound  
Sixteen Shillings and four pence is Disburst~~ed~~ for the use of  
the poor; And what remains in Stock is One pound  
One Shilling four pence two farthings

<sup>5<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup></sup>  
1795 At A Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held  
in **Dartmouth** <sup>th</sup> 18<sup>th</sup> of <sup>th</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1795

Representatives from the South Preparative  
Meeting are **Mercy Anthony** and **Mary** [*sic*] and those from the  
North **Elizabeth Tripp** and **Ruth Mosher** all present  
The friends appointed to have the Oversight of  
**Zepheniah Buffingtons** and **Lydia Tuckers** Marriage  
report they Attended to that appointment and Discovered  
Nothing but that it was Conducted Orderly; **Rhoda**  
**Mott** and **Jerusha Smith** are appointed to Join the  
Committee in visiting **Amey** [**Almy**] **Winslow** and report when ready  
South Preparative Meeting Collected 2 Shillings and 3  
pence. We are Inform'd from the Mens Meeting that  
**Hezekiah Smith** is about to remove within of **Saratoga**  
Monthly Meeting and requests a Certificate for himself  
and family **Jerusha Smith** and **Bethia Russell** are

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Appointed to Join the men in preparing one and bring to  
the Next Monthly Meeting if Nothing appears to hinder  
A Certificate for **James Allen** his Wife **Sarah** and their  
Children Namely **William Susan Joseph Jideon** and  
**Jibbert** with their Apprentice **Prince Allen** was read  
Approv'd and Sign'd in this and the mens Meeting  
**Mercy Slocum** Informs that the minuets have been  
Corrected and Recorded up to the Monthly Meeting

in the 5<sup>th</sup> month

6<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup>  
1795

At A Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held  
in **Dartmouth** <sup>th</sup> 15<sup>th</sup> of <sup>th</sup> 6<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1795

Representatives from the South Preparative  
Meeting are **Bethiah Russell** and **Jerusha Smith** and  
those from the North **Nancy Gifford** and **Hannah  
Potter** all present, We are Informd that **Margret  
Potter** Widow is remov'd to Dwell within the verge of  
**Accoakset** Monthly Meeting and requests our Certifi-  
-cate to Recommend her to the Same **Sarah Gifford** and  
**Abigail Shepherd** are appointed to take the Necessary  
Care and if Nothing appears to hinder to prepare one  
and bring to the Next Monthly Meeting, Reciev'd A  
Certificate from the Monthly Meeeting at **Long Plain**  
for **Sandwich** for **Joseph Gifford** and his Children  
Namely **Abraham Joseph Edward Prince John** and  
**Hannah** Recommending her to them to this Monthly  
Meeting which is excepted this Meeting Ajourns  
to the 22<sup>d</sup> of this Instant

Mett by Ajournment <sup>th</sup> 22<sup>d</sup> of <sup>th</sup> 6<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1795

The Representatives all present; This Meeting  
is Informed from the mens they are about to receive **Jonathan  
Slocum** into unity with Friends which this Meeting  
Concurs with, The Queries and Answers with the  
Accounts have been read and Consider'd in this Meeting  
And Sent to the Quarterly Meeting by our Representa-  
-tives who are **Sarah Howland Mercy Anthony**

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**Jerusha Smith** and **Lydia Buffington** and they to report  
to the next Monthly Meeting The Friends appointed to  
Prepare A Certificate for **Hezekiah Smith** and family  
have brought one which was read approv'd and Sign'd in this  
and the mens Meeting and Directed to the Monthly Meet-  
ing at **Eastown** Receiv'd A Certificate from the Monthly  
Meeting at **Rhodisland** in Behalf of **Philidelphia Wood**  
which was read and Excepted in this Meeeting **Patience  
Shepherd** has return'd her Certificate with an Indosment  
thereon from the Monthly Meeting at **Vasselborough**  
Signifying She Conducted Orderly while with them  
and is Clear of Marriage Ingagements Our Esteemed  
Friends **Deborah Darby** and **Rebecca Young** Attended  
this Meeting and produced Certificates from the Monthly  
Meeting for **Shropshire** held at **CoalCreekdale** <sup>th</sup> 20 of the  
3<sup>d</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1793 with an Indosment <sup>th</sup> 25<sup>th</sup> of the 4<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1793 and  
one from the Yearly Meeting for **Wales** held at **Carmathon**  
and one from the Yearly Meeting held at **London** <sup>th</sup> 18<sup>th</sup> 20  
23<sup>d</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> of the 5<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1793 Each Friends Certificate  
~~Being~~ Whose Gospel Lababours amongst us hath been  
Truly Comfortable and Edifying

7<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup>

At A Monthly Meeting of Women Friends

1795 held in **Dartmouth** <sup>th</sup> 20 of the 7<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1795

Representatives from the South Preparative are **Mary Smith** and **Elizabeth Howland** and those from the North are **Freelove Gifford** and **Rhoda Mott** all present the Representatives Inform they all attended the Quarterly Meeting Likewise Inform it is Recommended from the Yearly Meeting that two Friends be appointed to present the necessary going out of Meetings which is Comply'd with and do appoint **Abigail Shepherd** to ~~that~~ her and **Jerusha Smith** to that Service Receiv'd an Epistle from the Yearly Meeting of Women Friends held at **Newport** <sup>th</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> of the 6<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1795 Likewise Transcripts from **London Philidelphia** and **Newyork** ~~Which is~~ Containing much Seasonable Advice which was read and well Excepted

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Our Esteemed Friend **Henry Hull** Attended this Meeting and Produc'd a Satisfactory Certificate from the Monthly Meeting held at **Ninepartners** <sup>th</sup> 17 of the 4<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1795 Likewise our Friend **Paul Upton** accompanied Said Friend and produc'd a Certificate from the Same Meeting which was read to Satisfaction; A Certificate for **Elihu Mosher** his Wife **Ruth** was read approv'd and Sign'd in this and the mens Meeting Recommending them to the Monthly Meeting at **New Bedford**

Likewise one for **Margaret Potter** Directed to the Monthly Meeting at **Accoakset**. **Peace Shearman** **Hannah Wood** **Martha Smith** and **Mercy Slocum** are appointed to visit **Abigail Shepherd** in order to Discover the Sincerity of her Request and report to the Next Monthly Meeting **Edward Wing** and **Lydia Howland** Declard their Intentions of Marriage with Each Other Before this Meeting and are Desir'd to wait till Next Monthly Meeting for their Answer they having Consent of Parents **Mercy Anthony** and **Phebe Smith** are appointed to Inspect into **Lydia Howlands** Clearness Respecting Marriage and Conversation and they to report to the Next Monthly Meeting **Mary Smith** and **Lucy Howland** are appointed to Join the men friends in visiting **Sarah Ricketson** this Meeting Concludes and Ajourns to the 29<sup>th</sup> of this Instant

Mett Agreeable to Ajournment <sup>th</sup> 29<sup>th</sup> of th 7<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1795 Representatives Call'd are all present Except **Freelove Gifford** **Martha Smith** **Elizabeth Howland** and **Mercy Slocum** are appointed to visit **Elizabeth Tucker** in Order to Discover the ~~State~~ Sincerity of

her request and Report to the Next Monthly Meeting  
**Elizabeth Howland** and **Martha Gifford** are appointed  
to prepare a Certificate for **Benjamin Allens** Little  
Daughter Recommending her to the Monthly Meeting  
at **Accoakset**

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The Overseers having Informd this Meeting that  
**Mary Wood** hath kept Company out of the Unity of friends  
Likewise had a Child in an unmarried State **Deborah  
Hicks** and **Jerusha Smith** are appointed to visit her  
in order to bring her to a Sense of her outgoings if  
truth may open the way and they to report when ready  
And if they don't find ~~Nothing~~ Satisfaction to prepare ~~one~~  
A Testimony of Denial against her and bring to the  
Next Monthly Meeting. Collected at the Preparative  
Meeting Ten Shillings and ten pence **Mehetable Smith**  
hath Sent A few lines to this Meeting Condemning  
her marrying out from the Unity of Friends Likewise  
**Mehetable Slocum** formerly **Gifford** hath Sent a  
paper Condemning her keeping Company and Marrying  
Contrary to the good order Establish'd among Friends  
This Meeting appoints **Hannah Wood** and **Jerusha  
Smith Deborah Hicks** and **Martha Smith** to have a  
Solid Conference with them in Order to Discover  
the Sincerity of their Request and report when ready

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1795

At Monthly Meeting of Women Friends  
held in **Dartmouth** <sup>th</sup> 17<sup>th</sup> of the 8<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1795

The Friends appointed to attend the Monthly  
Meeting from the South Preparative Meeting are  
**Sarah Howland** and **Sarah Gifford** and those from the  
North **Rhoda Tucker** and **Elizabeth Tripp** all ~~pres~~  
present The Committee appointed to visit **Abigail Shepherd**  
~~Junnr~~ ~~I~~ they Inform they have had a Suitable Opportunity  
to good Satisfaction and think She may be receiv'd into  
Membership with Friends which report this Meeting with  
the Concurrence of the mens excepts and receive her into  
unity with friends **Amey Winslows** Acknowledgment  
Being read in this meeting with the Committee report  
is Excepted Provisal She causes it to be read Publickly  
between this and the Next Monthly Meeting; The  
Committee appointed to visit **Elizabeth Tucker** not being  
Ready to report it is still refer'd under the Same Friends

Care The Committee appointed to visit **Mehetable Smith** and **Mehetable Slocum** not being ready to report it is Referd Another month under the Same friends care **Hannah Tucker** hath Sent a few lines to this Meeting Requesting to be receiv'd into unity with Friends **Mercy Anthony Sarah Howland** and **Rhoda Tucker** are appointed to visit her in order to Discover the State Sincerity of her Request and they to report when ready **Edward Wing** and **Lydia Howland** appeared for their Answer which is they may proceed in marriage Between this and the Next Monthly Meeting Observing the good order Establish'd among Friends **Mercy Anthony** and **Mary Smith** are appointed to attend the marriage in order in order that it may be Conducted Orderly and they to report to the Next Monthly Meeting **Freebon Potter** a hath Sent a few lines to this Meeting Condemning her outgoings **Elizabeth** and **Abigail Russell** are appointed to visit her in Order to Discover the State of her mind and they to report when ready. The friends appointed to prepare ~~visit~~ <sup>^A Certificate for</sup> **Benjamins Allens Daughter Thirza[?]** have brought one which was read approv'd and Sign'd in this and the mens Meeting and Directed to the Monthly Meeting at **Accoakset Ruth Mosher** hath return'd her Certificate with an Indosment from the Monthly Meeting at **Nantucket** Signifying She Conducted Orderly while with them and has Setled her affairs to Satisfaction and is Clear of Marriage Engagements

9<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup>  
1795

At A Monthly meeting of Women Friends held in **Dartmouth** the 21<sup>d</sup> of the 9<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1795 6  
Representatives from the South Preparative Meeting are **Mary Tucker** and **Elizabeth Howland** and there from the North are **Rhoda Tucker** and **Ruth Mosher** all present the friends appointed to visit **Hannah Fisher** not being Ready to report is is still refer'd under the Same friends Care

**Mercy Anthony** and **Mary Smith** Inform they attended the Marriage of **Edward Wing** and **Lydia Howlands** Marriage and Discovered nothing but that it was Conducted Orderly. **Lucy Howland** and **Mary smith** are appointed to visit in Order to Discover the Sincerity of her request and they to report when ready. The Matter of **Elizabeth Tucker** is refer'd another month under the Same friends care **Mehetable Smith** and **Mehetable Slocums** Acknowledg=  
ments Being read with the Committees report ~~they are~~  
~~receiv'd~~ and having the Concurrence of the men they are  
reveiv'd – The Committee appointed to visit **Freebon Potter** Inform they have had an opportunity with her and



think she may be receiv'd which report this Meeting with the Concurrence of the mens Excepts and receive her into membership with friends Provisal She causes it to be read in the usual Publick manner and return'd to the Clerk to go on record. The Queries and Answers with the Accounts hath been read and Considerd in this Meeting and Sent to the Quarterly Meeting who are **Mary Tucker Rhoda Tucker** and **Lucy Howland** and they to report to the next Monthly Meeting – **Lydia Gifford** that <sup>hath</sup> Sent a paper to this Meeting Condemning her Misconduct **Elizabeth Tripp** and **Mary Devol** are appointed <sup>to</sup> visit **Lydia Gifford** in order to ~~the~~ Discover the Sincerity of her request Acknowledgment and they to report when Ready **Silvia Soul** having remov'd within the verge of **Accoakset** Monthly Meeting and friends think it proper to Send her a Certificate this Meeting appoints **Freelove Gifford** and **Rhoda Mott** to prepare a Certificate for her and Bring to the Next Monthly Meeting if nothing appears to hinder – Collected at the North Preparative Meeting Three Shillings and Six pence **Amey Winslow** Requests a few lines Recommending her to the Monthly Meeting at **New Bedford Rhoda Tucker** and **Eliphel Slade** are appointed to take the Necessary care and if Nothing appears to hinder to prepare one and bring to the next Monthly Meeting

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*10<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup>  
1795* At A Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held in **Dartmouth** <sup>th</sup> 19<sup>th</sup> of <sup>th</sup> 10 m<sup>o</sup> 1795

The Representatives to attend the Monthly Meeting from the South Preparative Meeting are **Hannah Wood** and **Mercy Anthony** and those from the North **Elizabeth Tripp** and **Jedida Mosher** all present. The Matter of **Hannah Fisher** is referd Another month under the Same Friends Care The Representatives appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting Inform they all attended except **Mary Tucker** – Collected at the South Preparative one Shilling and Six pence – **Elizabeth Tucker** hath Sent A few lines to this Meeting Condemning her Misconduct in Particular that of taking Spirituous Liquor to Excess which acknowledgment this Meeting Excepts of receives her into unity with Friends having the Concurrence of the men She Causing it to be read in the usual Publick manner and return'd to the Clerk to go on Record and is as follows

To the Preparative and Monthly Meeting of Women friends Held in **Dartmouth** on the 15<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup>

of<sup>th</sup> 7<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1795

Whereas I have been a member of the Religious Society of Friends but I have been So far left as to fall into many things very Contrary to the good order Establish'd among them Particularly that of taking Spirituous Liquor to Excess all which I do Condemn and am hertily Sorry for And Sincerely Desire that Infinite Wisdom will preserve me and that friends would receive me again under their friendly Care

**Elizabeth Tucker**

**Jethro Russell** Inform'd he is about to remove within the Verge of **Eastown** Monthly Meeting and Requests a Certificate for himself and family **Rhoda Tucker** And **Elizabeth Tripp**

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Aare appointed to join the men in Preparing one and bring to the Next Monthly Meeting if Nothing appears to Hinder **Calep [Caleb] Barker** and **Sarah Eddy** Declared their Intention of Marriage with Each other Before this Meeting and are Desir'd to wait till Next Monthly for an Answer **Peace Shearman** and **Elizabeth Sandford** are appointed to Inquire into **Sarah Eddys** Clearness Respecting Marriage and Conversation and report to the Next Monthly Meeting – The Committee that had the Care of the Meetings in **Allens Neck** the Winter Season past Report they were held in a good Degree Orderly Except at few in in which there appear'd too much Levity Among the Youth which was Discourtenanced by friends --- A Certificate for **Silvia Soul** was read approv'd and Sign'd in this and the men's Meeting and Directed to the Monthly Meeting at **Acoakset**

At A Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held  
11<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> **Dartmouth** <sup>th</sup> 16 of <sup>th</sup> of 11<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1795  
1795

The Friends appointed to attend the Monthly Meeting from the South Preparative Meeting are **Elizabeth Howland** and **Rachael Sandford** and those from the North **Rhoda Tucker** and **Rhoda Mott** all present Except **Elizabeth Howland** who was prevented by Sickness the Queries And Answers with the Accounts with the Accounts hath been Read and Considerd in this Meeting and Sent to the Quarterly Meeting by our Representatives who are **Martha Smith Lydia Buffington Ruth Gifford Elizabeth Tripp** and **Bothia Russell** and they to report to the Next Monthly Meeting ----- **Calep Barker** and **Sarah Eddy** appeard for their Answer which was they may proceed in marriage Between this and the Next Monthly Meeting Observing the good Order Establish'd Amongs't Friends **Mary Smith** and **Lucy Howland** are appointed are appointed to have the Oversight of **Calep Barker** and **Sarah Eddy** Marriage and they to report to the Next

Monthly Meeting - **Juda Cook** hath Sent a few lines to this Meeting Condemning her keeping Company and Marrying out of

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And Attended Marriage out of the Unity of Friends  
**Anne Eddy Sarah Howland** and **Elizabeth Tripp** are appointed to visit **Judah Cook** in order to Discover the State of her mind respecting her request and they to report when ready. This Meeting Ajourns to <sup>th</sup> 26 of this Instant

Mett Agreeable to Ajournment <sup>th</sup> 26 of the 11<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1795  
Representatives all present **T Amey Winslows** Acknowledgment not Coming to hand in to proper place is here Inserted

To the Monthly Meeting of Friends  
Respected Friends Whereas I have kept Company and Married out of they Unity of Friends and have fallen into the Reproachful Sin of Fornication which Appear'd by my having a Child Soon after Marriage which I am Sorry for and do Condemn Desiring forgiveness of God and friends So far to pass it by as to let me remain under your Christian Care this from your **Dartmouth** <sup>th</sup> 26<sup>th</sup> of 4<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1795 Friend **Amey Winston**  
The Friends appointed to prepare a Certificate for **Almy Winston** have brought one which was read approv'd and Sign'd on this and the mens Meeting and Directed to the Monthly Meeting at **New Bedford** Receiv'd a Certificate from the Monthly Meeting at **Accoakset** which was read in this and the mens Meeting and the mens Meeting and is excepted

**Lydia Wing** having remov'd within the Verge of **New Bedford** Monthly Meeting and requests of us a Certificate **Mary Smith** and **Bethia Russell** are appointed to prepare one and bring to the Next Monthly Meeting if Nothing appears to hinder A Request from friends in **Slocums Neck** was read in this Meeting which was granted that they hold Meetings the Ensuing Winter Season untill the Monthly Meeting in the 4<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> one month at **Timothy Giffords** one at **Thomas Allens** one at **Peleg Slocums** one at **Samuel Giffords** and one at **Elijah Giffords** the Meetings are to be held on first and fifth Days of the Week Except the Days in which the Meetings for Discipline are held Under the Care of a Committee who are **Deborah Allen Elizabeth Howland** and **Sarah Gifford** and they to report at the Expiration of the time appointed for the Meetings to be held **Dinah Howland** hath Sent a few lines to this Meeting Condemning her Misconduct **Rhoda Mott** and **Mary Tucker**

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Are appointed to visit her in order to Discover the State of her mind and the Sincerity of her Acknowledgment and they to report

when ready. The time being Expired for which **Anne Eddy** was appointed Treasury and Likewise Overseer of the poor and She Desiring to be relased from both this Meeting appoints **Abigail Shepherd** Treasury Likewise Overseer of the poor **Mercy Slocum** and **Mary Tucker** is appointed to Assist the Clerk in Correcting and recording the Monthly Meeting minuets and they to report when it is accomplished **Freebon Potter** Acknowledgment hath been read agreeable to the Conclusion of the Monthly Meeting and is as follows

To the Preparative and Monthly Meeting of Women Friends to be held <sup>th</sup> 13 and 19<sup>th</sup> of the 8<sup>th</sup> 1795

Whereas I for want of Attending to the pantings of Unering Wisdom in my own heart have been left to keep Company and marry with one not a member of the Society and having a Child soon after Marriage which I am Sincerely Sorry for and do Condemn Desiring I may find forgiveness from the Almighty and that Friends will So far pass it by as to let me remain under their Christian care if I may be found worthy ---- This from your well wishing Friend  
**Freebon Potter**

**Sarah Gifford** Being Desirous to be Releas'd from having the care of the Books belonging to the Monthly Meeting **Abigail Shepherd** is appointed to have the care of S<sup>d</sup> Books This Meeting Concludes and Ajourns to the 2<sup>d</sup> of <sup>th</sup> 12<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1795

Mett agreeable to Ajournment 2<sup>d</sup> of <sup>th</sup> 12<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1795  
The Representatives <sup>not all</sup> present **Bershaba Russell** having Remov'd to live as an Aprentice with **Seth Hart** Within the Compass of **Saratoga** Monthly Meeting **Sarah Gifford** And **Phebe Shepherd** are appointed to prepare a Certificate for her Recommending her to that Monthly Meeting if they find nothing to hinder and bring to the Next Monthly Meeting

The mens Meeting having prepared A few lines Directed to the Same Monthly Meeting Signifying they have accepted **Deborah Barlows** Acknowledgment Provided her past and present Conduct with them Shall be found Constant therewith all which this Meeting Unites with and by the Direction of this Meeting the Clerk hath Sign'd the Same

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12<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup>  
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At A Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held in **Dartmouth** 21<sup>d</sup> of the 12<sup>th</sup> 1795

The <sup>Clerk</sup> Being Absent this Meeting appoints **Mary Smith** Clerk for this day. The Representatives from the South Preparatory Meeting are **Mary Smith** and **Hannah Wood** and those from the North **Elizabeth Gifford** and **Elizabeth Tripp** all present Except **Hannah Wood** and **Elizabeth Gifford** who was prevented by Indisposition in her family The Representatives appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting Inform they all attended Except **Bethiah**

**Russell** who was prevented by Sickness – The Friends appointed to have the Oversight of **Caleb Barkers** and **Sarah Eddys** Marriage report they Attended and Discover'd Nothing but that is one Conducted Orderly **Benjamin Boreman** and **Phebe Shepherd** Declared their Intentions of Marriage with Each Other Before this Meeting and are Desir'd to wait till next Monthly Meeting for an Answer

**Jerusha Smith** and **Mercy Anthony** are appointed to Inspect into **Phebe Shepherds** Clearness respecting Marriage and bring to the Next Monthly Meeting – The Friends appointed to prepare a Certificate<sup>^</sup> for **Lydia Wing** have brought one which was read approv'd and Sign'd in this and the mens Meeting Recommending her to the Monthly Meeting of **New Bedford** - Likewise one for **Basheba Russell** Recommending her to **Saratoga** Monthly Meeting

**Freebon Potter** Informd She hath remov'd within the verge of **Eastown** Monthly Meeting and Requests our Certificate **Elizabeth Tripp** and **Hannah Potter** are appointed to prepare one and Bring to the Next Monthly Meeting if they find Nothing to Hinder – The Friends in **Smiths Neck** Request the Liberty to hold Meetings And This Meeting after a Solid Consideration therein Grants them to be held on first and fifth Days in those weeks in which our Meetings for Discipline are not held and this Meeting appoints **Sarah Howland** **Mary Smith** and **Mercy Anthony** to have the

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Oversight of Those Meetings and report at the Expirations thereof

*1<sup>d</sup> m<sup>o</sup>  
1796*

At A Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held in **Dartmouth** <sup>th</sup> 18<sup>th</sup> of <sup>th</sup> 1<sup>d</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1796

The Clerk of this Meeting being Desirous to be releas'd from that Service **Bethia Russell** is appointed Clerk for the year Ensuing The Friends appointed to attend the Monthly Meeting from the South Preparative Meeting are **Mary Wing** and **Lucy Howland** and those from the North **Rhoda Mott** and **Hannah Potter** all present Except **Mary Wing** and **Lucy Howland** for whose absence Satisfactory reason was given – This Meeting is Inform'd from the mens that they are about to Receive **Robert Allen** into unity with friends which this Meeting Unites

The friend appointed to Inspect **Phebe Shepherds** Clearness respecting marriage Inform they find Nothing to her proceeding **Benjamin Boreman** and **Phebe Shepherd** appear'd for their Answer which is they may proceed in marriage between this and the Next Monthly Meeting Observing the good order Establish'd among friends **Jerusha Smith** and **Bethia Russell** are appointed to have the Oversight of **Benjamin Boreman** and **Phebe Shepherds** Marriage and they to report to the next

Monthly Meeting            The Friends appointed to prepare  
 A Certificate for **Freebon Potter** <sup>^have brought one</sup> which was read  
 approv'd and Sign'd in this and the mens Meeting  
 Recommending her a member to **East town** Monthly  
 Meeting **Chilian Wood** requests a few by way of Certificate  
 for his Children Namely **Ruth** and **Elisha** recommending  
 them to the Monthly Meeting att **Saragaga Jerusha**  
**Smith** and **Mary Tucker** are appointed to Join the men  
 in preparing one and bring to the Next Monthly  
 Meeting if nothing appears to hinder – Collected at the  
 South Preparative Meeting four Shillings and Seven pence  
 pence half penny

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*2<sup>d</sup> M<sup>o</sup>  
1796*            At A Monthly Meeting of Women  
 Friends held in **Dartmouth** <sup>th</sup> 15<sup>th</sup> of <sup>th</sup> 2<sup>d</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1796  
 The Friends appointed to attend the Monthly  
 Meeting from the South Preparative Meeting are  
**Abigail Shepherd** and **Jerusha Smith** and those from  
 the North are **Elizabeth Gifford** and **Ruth Mosher**  
 all present    The friends appointed to have the  
 Oversight of **Benjamin Boreman** and **Phebe Shepherd**  
 Marriage Inform they Attended and Discovered Nothing  
 but that it was Conducted Orderly – The friends  
 Appointed to Correct and record the Minuets Report  
 that they attended to that ~~Service~~ Appointment and  
 the minuets are recorded up to the 2<sup>d</sup> Month, Likewise  
 The Friends that have Settled with the former  
 Treasury Report that there remains due to the former  
 Treasury thirteen Shillings and Eleven pence – The  
 Committee appointed to visit **Dinah Howland** having  
 performd that Service which Report this Meeting  
 Accepts and Receives her into unity having the  
 Concurrence of the Mens Meeting –    The Friends  
 Appointed to prepare a Certificate for **Jethro Russell**  
 and his wife **Rebecca** and their Children **Martha Mary**  
**Howland Price Gideon** and **Rebecca** have Brought one  
 which <sup>^was</sup> read approv'd and Sign'd in this and the mens  
 Meetings Recommending them as Members to the Monthly  
 Meeting at **Eastown** ----- Received a Certificate from the  
 Monthly Meeting at **Sandwich** <sup>^In behalf of Peace Wing</sup> which was read on this  
 Meeting and with the Concurrence of the mens Meting  
 was Accepted –    The Friends appointed to prepare  
 A Certificate for **Chilion Woods** Children **Ruth** and  
**Elisha** have brought one which was read approv'd and

Signed in this and the mens Meeting Recommending them as members to the Monthly Meeting of **Eastown** This Meeting is Informd **Lydia Shepherd** Requests our Certificate Recommending her to the Monthly Meeting of **New Bedford** **Mercy Slocum** and **Bethia Russell** are appointed to prepare one and bring to the Next Monthly Meeting if Nothing appears to hinder – This Meeting is Inform'd that **Jonathan Hart** is about to remove within the verge of **Eastown** Monthly Meeting and Request our Certificate for himself his Wife Sister and Children **Rhoda Tucker** and **Ruth Mosher** are appointed to join the men in preparing one and bring to the Next Monthly Meeting if Nothing appears to Hinder

3<sup>d</sup> m<sup>o</sup>  
1796

At A Monthly of Women Friends held at **Dartmouth** <sup>th</sup> 28 of <sup>th</sup> 3<sup>d</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1796

The Friends appointed to attend the Monthly Meeting from the South Preparative Meeting are **Mary Tucker** and **Bethia Russell** and those from the North **Ruth Mosher** and **Jedida Mosher** all present the Queries and Answers with the Accounts hath been read and Consider'd in this Meeting and are Sent up to the Quarterly Meeting by our Representa =tives who are **Sarah Howland Mary Tucker Bethia Russell** and **Peace Wing** who are appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting and they to report to the Next Monthly Meeting – This Meeting is Informed that **Abigail Hathaway** is About to Remove within the Compass of **Vassalborough** Monthly Meeting ^ And requests our Certificate **Elizabeth Tripp** and **Mary Tucker** are appointed to prepare one and bring to the next monthly meeting of if Nothing appears to Hinder ----

**Rhoda Tucker** Desiring to be releas'd from the Service of and An Overseer **Elizabeth** ^Tripp is appointed to that Station The Friends appointed to prepare a Certificate for **Lydia Shepherd** hath fulfilled that appointment and Brought one

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Which was read approv'd and Signed in this and the mens Meeting Recommending her as a Member to Month -ly Meeting at **New Bedford** - This Meeting reappoints **Mercy Anthony** to the place of an Overseer – **Jonathan Harts** Certificate is refer'd another Month – This Meeting is Informd that **Humphrey Shearman** is about to remove within the Compass of **Eastown** Monthly Meeting and Requests our Certificate for himself his wife and Children Namely **Ruth Daniel Edy Seth** and **Nicholas Peace Shearman** and **Mary Smith** are appointed to join the men in preparing one and bring to the Next Monthly Meeting if Nothing appears to hinder

**Sarah Howland** is appointed an Overseer for the Ensuing Year Collected at the South Preparative Meeting two Shillings and Nine pence

At A Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held  
4<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> in **Dartmouth** 15<sup>th</sup> of 4<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1796  
1796

The Friends appointed to attend the Monthly Meeting From the South preparative Meeting are **Mary Smith** and **Mary Wing** and those from the North are **Rhoda Mott** and **Ruth Mosher** all present – **Sarah Howland** and **Peace Wing** Inform they attended the Quarterly Meeting Agreeable to appointed **Mary Tucker** and **Bethia Russell** Inform they did not attend – The Meeting is Inform'd by the Overseers that **Hannah Packer** formerly **Smith** hath kept Company and Married out of the Unity of Friends and after a Solid Consideration thereon this Meeting with the Concurrence of the mens denies her having any right of Membership with Friends – **Sarah Gifford** is appointed to Inform **Hannah Packer** of her Denial The Matter Respecting **Judah Cook** is Refer'd Another Month Likewise **Lydia Giffords** requests is refer'd

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Another month Both under the Same Friends Care The Friends appointed to join the men in preparing a Certificate for **Humphrey Shearman** his Wife and family have brought one which was read and Accepted and Signed in this and the mens Meeting ---- Likewise one for **Jonathan Hart** and family was read approv'd and Signed in this and the mens Meeting Recommending Both families to the Monthly Meetings at **Eastown** – **Hannah Smith** Being About to Reside for a time within the Compass of **Nine** = **pardners** Monthly Meeting Requests our Certificate **Rhoda Tucker** and **Elizabeth Tripp** are appointed to prepare one and bring to the Next Monthly Meeting if Nothing appears to hinder this Meeting is Likewise Inform'd that **William Wood** hath remov'd within <sup>^the</sup> verge of **Accoakset** Monthly Meeting and Requests our Certificate for himself, and Wife **Rhoda Tucker** and **Elizabeth** <sup>^Tripp|Tripp|</sup> are appointed to join the men in preparing one and bring to the Next Monthly Meeting if Nothing appears to Hinder – The Friends appointed to prepare a Certificate for **Abigail Hathaway** hath Brought one which was read approv'd and Signed in this and the mens Meeting Recommending her as a Member to the Monthly Meeting of **Vasselborough**

This Meeting Reappoints **Jerusha Smith Rhoda Mott** and **Mary Tucker** to the place of Overseers for the year Ensuing – **Deborah Allen** Requesting to be releas'd from the Service of an Overseer which Request is Granted, Collected at the South Preparative Meeting Six Shillings and a penny half penny and



from the North three Shillings  
At Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held  
5<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup>  
1796 in **Dartmouth** <sup>th</sup> 16<sup>th</sup> of <sup>th</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1796

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The Friends appointed to attend the Monthly Meeting from the South Preparative Meeting are **Anna Eddy** and **Rhoda Gifford** and those From the North **Rhoda Tucker** and **Elphal Slade** all present Except **Anna Eddy** who was prevented by Indisposition --- **Sarah Gifford** report She hath Inform'd **Hannah Packer** of her Denial

The Friends appointed to visit **Judah Cook** Inform they have attended to that Service and find So much Satisfaction we think it may be Safe to Accept of her Acknowledgment which this Meeting with the Concurrence of the Mens Meeting accepts for Satisfaction

The Friends that had the Care of **Mary Woods** Acknowledgment Inform that they have attended thereto and find So much Satisfaction think She may be receiv'd which this Meeting accepts Having the Concurrence of the Mens She Causing her paper to be read Publickly Between this and the Next Monthly Meeting and Return'd to the Clerk to go on Record

The Friends appointed to have the Care of the Meetings in **Smith Neck** report they have attended to that appointment and Discovered Nothing but that they were all kept up and Held to a good Degree of Satisfaction **Phebe Wing** Hath Sent a few lines to this Meeting Condemning her keeping Company and Marrying out of the Unity of Friends **Deborah Allen** and **Elizabeth Howland** are appointed to visit **Phebe Wing** in order to Discover the State of her mind and they to report when Ready – **Mehetable Smith** having Remov'd within the Verge of **New Bedford** Monthly Meeting Requests our Certificate **Mercy Anthony** and **Sarah Howland** are appointed to prepare one and bring

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To the Next Monthly Meeting if Nothing appears to Hinder – **James Tucker** and **Phebe Tucker** Declar'd their Intentions of Marriage with Each other before this Meeting and are Desir'd to wait till Next Monthly Meeting for an <sup>^their</sup> Answer – **Jerusha Smith** and **Bethia Russell** are appointed to Inspect into **Phebe Tuckers** Clearness respecting Marriage and Conversation and they to report to the Next Monthly Meeting – **Sarah Wood** hath Sent a few lines to this Meeting Requesting to

become a member of our Society **Martha Smith** and **Mercy Slocum** are appointed to visit **Sarah Wood** and Endeavour to Discover the State of her mind and they to report when Ready – **Catharine Briggs** being remov'd within the Verge of **Saratoga** Monthly Meeting and requests our Certificate **Sarah Gifford** and **Rhoda Gifford** are appointed to prepare one and bring to the Next Monthly Meeting if Nothing appears to hinder

This Meeting appoints **Elizabeth Howland** and Reappoints **Rhoda Gifford** Overseers for the Ensuing year – Collected at the South Preparative Meeting three Shillings

6<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup>  
1796

At A Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held in **Dartmouth** <sup>th</sup> 20 of <sup>th</sup> 6<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1796

The Friends appointed to attend the Monthly Meeting from the South Preparative Meeting are **Lucy Howland** and **Deborah Howland** and those from the North **Elizabeth Gifford** and **Ruth Mosher** all present This Meeting is Infom'd that **Mary Woods** Acknowledg-  
=ment hath been read as Directed and is as follows

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~~Dartmouth~~ <sup>th</sup> 16 <sup>th</sup> of the 9<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 17

To the Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held in **Dartmouth** <sup>th</sup> 21<sup>d</sup> of <sup>th</sup> 9<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1795

Respected Friends I have so far Departed from the Principles of truth as to keep Company with a man Contrary to Friends Rules Likewise have fallen into the Reproachful Sin of Fornication as <sup>^appears</sup> by my having a Child all which I am Sincerely Sorry for and do Condemn hoping God Will forgive me and friends so far pass by my Offences as to let me remain under their Watchful Care and Oversight from your Friend

**Mary Wood**

The Queries and Answers with the Accounts hath been read and Considered in this Meeting and are Sent to the Quarterly Meeting by our Representatives who are **Mercy Anthony Mary Smith Marthat Smith** and **Elizabeth Tripp** who are appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting and they to report to the Next Monthly Meeting – Our Beloved Friend **Hannah Barnerd** attended this Meeting much to the Satisfaction and Comfort of the Living amongs't us and produc'd a Copy of a Minuet from the Monthly Meeting of **Hudson** <sup>th</sup> 28<sup>th</sup> of <sup>th</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1796 which was read in this

Meeting to Satisfaction — A Certificate for **William Wood** and his Wife **Mary** was read approv'd and Signed in this and the mens Meeting Recommending them as Members to the Monthly Meeting at **Accoakset** --

The Committee appointed to Visit **Phebe Wing** Inform they Have attended to that appointment and think it may ~~w~~e be well to Accept her Acknowledgment whis being read this Meeting accepts and receives her into Unity having the Concurrence of the mens Meeting

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**James Tucker** and **Phebe Tucker** appear'd for their Answer which was they may proceed in Marriage Between this and the Next Monthly Meeting Observing the good order Establish'd among Friends **Ruth Tucker** and **Elizabeth Tripp** are appointed to attend **James** and **Phebe Tuckers** Marriage <sup>^to</sup> See that it was Conduced Orderly and they to Report to the Next Monthly Meeting — **Rebeca Sulek[?]** hath sent a few lines to this Meeting Condemning her Marrying Contrary to the Rules of Society **Elizabeth Gifford** and **Mercy Anthony** are appointed to visit her in order to Discover the state of her mind and they to report when ready **Mary Hart** hath sent a few lines to this Meeting Requesting Friends Unity **Rhoda Tucker** and **Elizabeth Tripp** are appointed to visit her in order to Discover the Sincerity of her Request and they to report when ready — This Meeting appoints **Lucy Howland** and **Bethia Russell** to join the men Friends in preparing A Certificate for **Deborah Barton**

The Friends appointed to Prepare a Certificate for **Catharine Briggs** have brought one which was read approv'd and Signed in this and the Mens Meeting Recommending her as a Member to the Monthly Meeting at **Eastown**

7<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup>  
1796

At A Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held in **Dartmouth** <sup>th</sup> 18<sup>th</sup> of <sup>th</sup> 7<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1796

The Friends appointed to attend the Monthly Meeting from the South Preparative Meeting are **Sarah Howland** and **Abigail Howland** and those from the <sup>^Nouth</sup> **Rhoda Tucker** <sup>^Mott</sup> and **Elizabeth Tripp** all present Except **Rhoda Mott** who was Prevented by Indisposition --- The Friends Appointed to Attend the Quarterly Meeting Inform they all attended Except **Elizabeth Tripp** who was prevented Attended by Sickness

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*Mehetable Smiths Certificate*  
*Comittee report*  
*James & Phebe Tuckers marriage*  
*Lydia Giffords acknowledge=gment accepted*  
*Sarah Wood received into member=ship*  
*Comitte to visit*  
*Mary Hart not ready to report*  
*Rebecca Milks acknowledged gment accepted*  
*Silvia Grinnells acknowledged gment*  
*Deborah Barlows Certificate*  
*Mary Connells acknowledge gment*

The Friends appointed to prepare a Certificate for **Mehetable Smith** have Brought one which was read approv'd and Signed in this and the mens Meeting Recommending her as a Member to the Monthly Meeting at **New Bedford**

The Friends appointed to attend **James and Phebe Tuckers** Marriage Inform they attended and Discovered Nothing but is was Conducted Orderly The Friends Appointed to visit **Lydia Gifford** report they have performd that Service to a Degree of Satisfaction which this Meeting Accepts having the Concurrence of the Mens Meeting She Causing her paper to be read Publicly Between this and the Next Monthly Meeting and Return'd to the Clerk to go on Record The Friends appointed to visit **Sarah Wood** report they have had an Opportunity with her to a Degree of Satisfaction and think it may be safe to receive her into Membership with Friends which report this Meeting accepts having the Concurrence of the mens Meeting

The Friends appointed to visit **Mary Hart** not being ready to report it still rests under the Same friends Care The Friends appointed to visit **Rebecca Milk** report they found So much Satisfaction they think it may be Safe to receive her Acknowledgment which this Meeting accepts having the Concurrence of the men, **Silvia Grinnell** hath Sent a few lines to this Meeting Condemning her marrying out of the Unity of Friends **Mercy Slocum** and **Mary Tucker** are appointed to visit her in order to Discover the Sincerity of her Acknowledgment and they to report when ready A Certificate for **Deborah Barlow** was read approv'd and Signed in this and the mens Meeting Recommending her as a member to the Monthly Meeting at **Danby Mary Connell** hath Sent a few lines to this Meeting Condemning her misconduct **Mary Smith** and **Rhoda Tucker** are

Appointed to take her Acknowledgment under their Weighty Consideration

*8<sup>th</sup> m<sup>e</sup>*  
*1796*

At A Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held in **Dartmouth** <sup>th</sup> 15<sup>th</sup> of <sup>th</sup> 8 m<sup>th</sup> 1796

*the represntatives*  
*Mary Hart refer'd*

The Friends appointed to attend the Monthly Meeting from the South Preparative Meeting are **Mary Smith** and **Alice Anthony** and those from the North are **Eliphall Slade** and **Rhoda Tucker** all present The friends appointed to visit **Mary Hart** not being Ready to report it is refer'd under the Same friends Care This Meeting is Inform'd that **Lydia Giffords** Acknowledgment hath been read as Directed and is as follows

*Lydia*

To the Preparative and Monthly Meeting of Women

*Giffords* Friends held in **Dartmouth** <sup>th</sup> 16 and 21<sup>d</sup> of <sup>th</sup> 9<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1795  
*acknowledge* Esteemed Friends  
*gment*

Whereas I have so far Deviated from  
the good order Establish'd amongst Friends as to keep  
Company and Marry out of the unity of Friends and  
Likewise have fallen into the Reproachfull Sin of fornication  
Which appears by my having a Child as soon after Marriage  
Which misconduct of mine I am Sincerely Sorry for and do  
Condemn Desiring friends may so far pass by my Offence  
as to let me remain under their Care from your Friend

**Lydia Gifford**

*Mary* The Friends that were appointed to have the Care of **Mary**  
*Cornell* **Cornells** paper not Being ready to report it Still rests under  
*referd* the Same friends Care – The friends that were appointed  
*Silvia* to visit **Silvia Grinnell** report they have performed that Sercise  
*Grinnell* and found So much Satisfaction that they think it may be  
*accepted* Safe to accept her acknowledgment which report this Meeting  
Unites with and receives her into Unity having the Concurrence  
of the mens Meeting

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**Mary Smith** and **Peace Shearman** is appointed to prepare  
A Certificate for **Rebecca Milk** recommending her as a  
member to the Monthly Meeting at **Accoakset [Acoaxet]** – **Edith**  
**Sisson** hath Sent a few lines to this Meeting Condemning  
her Breaking an order By Marrying out of the unity of  
Friends **Mary Wing Deborah Allen** and **Elizabeth Slocum**  
are appointed to visit **Edith Sisson** in order to Discover the  
Sincerity of her acknowledgmet and they to report when  
Ready This Meeting is Inform'd that **Phebe Boreman**  
is about to remove within the Compass of **Vasselborough**  
Monthly Meeting and requests our Certificate **Jerusha**  
**Smith** and **Bethia Russell** are appointed to prepare one  
and bring to the Next Monthly Meeting if Nothing  
appears to hinder ~ A Certificate for **Rufus Gifford** and  
his Wife from the Monthly Meeting at **New Bedford** was  
read in this Meeting and Accepted ~ An Epistle from  
the Yearly Meeting held in **London** by Ajournment from  
<sup>th</sup> 18<sup>th</sup> of <sup>th</sup> 27<sup>th</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1795 Was read in this Meeting to  
the Comfort of many amongst us the advice therein Contain'd  
Being truly Acceptable ~ **Mercy Slocum** and **Mary Tucker**  
are appointed to prepare a Certificate for **Silvia Grinnell**  
Recommending <sup>her</sup> to the Monthly Meeting at **New Bedford**  
and Bring to the Next Monthly Meeting

*9<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup>*

At A Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held

1796 in **Dartmouth** <sup>th</sup> 19<sup>th</sup> of <sup>th</sup> 9<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1796

The friends appointed to attend the Monthly Meeting from the South Preparative Meeting are **Abigail Shepherd** and **Lucy Howland** and from the North **Elizabeth Tripp** and **Eliphel Slale [Slade]** all present  
The Friends appointed to prepare a Certificate for **Silvia Grinnell** have brought one which was read approv'd

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And Signed in this and the mens Meeting Recommending her as a Member to the Monthly Meeting at **New Bedford** The Committee appointed to visit **Edith Sisson** <sup>Wife of Jonathan</sup> report they have fulfilled that appointment and find So much Satisfaction they think it may be Safe to accept her Acknowledgment which with the Concurrence of the mens Meeting is accepted.

The Friends appointed to visit **Mary Hart** Wife of **Joseph** report they have had Several Solid opportunity's with her to Satisfaction which report this Meeting accepts for Satisfaction and receives her into Unity with friends the mens Meeting Concurring therewith ~ A Certificate for **Rebecca Milk** Widow was read approv'd and Signed in this and the mens meeting Recommending her as a Member to the Monthly Meeting at **Accoakset** ~ The Queries and Answers with the Accounts hath been read and Considered in this Meeting and are Sent up to the Quarterly Meeting by our representatives who are **Mary Smith** and **Elizabeth Tripp** who are appointed to attend the Same and they to report to the Next Monthly Meeting ~ The Committee appointed to have the Care of the Meetings in **Allens Neck** report they attended to their appointment and that the Meetings were all kept up and held in a good Degree orderly – **Mercy Slocum** and **Mary Tucker** are appointed to assist the Clerk in Correcting and Recording the Minuets

10<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup>  
1796 At A Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held in **Dartmouth** <sup>th</sup> 17<sup>th</sup> of <sup>th</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1796

The Friends appointed to attend the Monthly Meeting from the South Preparative Meeting are **Hannah Wood** and **Susannah Wood** and from the North

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**Abigail Russell** and **Elizabeth Gifford** all present  
One of the friends appointed to attend the Monthly

Quarterly Meeting <sup>^</sup>Inform'd that one attended **Elizabeth Tripp** was prevented by Sickness ~ **Meriah Smith** hath Sent a few lines to this Meeting Condemning her Attending Seperate Meetings **Mercy Slocum** and **Jerusha Smith** are appointed to visit her on the Account and they to report when ready – A Certificate for **Phebe Boreman** was read approv'd and Signed in this and the mens Meeting ~~and~~ Recommending her as a Member to the Monthly Meeting at **Vasselborough** – **Rhachel Sandford** is appointed assist **Jerusha Smith** in Setling with the Treasurey Collected at the South Preparative Meeting four Shillings and three pence

At A Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held  
11<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1796 in **Dartmouth** <sup>th</sup> 21 of <sup>th</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1796

The Friends appointed to attend the Monthly Meeting from the South Preparative Meeting are **Mary Smith** and **Elizabeth Howland** and from the North **Anne Gifford** and **Elizabeth Tripp** all present The Friends that were appointed to visit **Meriah Smith** making a Satisfactory report which report this Meeting Accepts for Satisfaction having the Concurrence of the men This Meeting is Inform'd by the Overseers that **Lydia Sandford** Wife of **Peleg** hath had A Child Soon After Marriage which Occasioned her to Marry out of the Unity of Friends **Deborah Allen** and **Sarah Howland** are appointed to visit **Lydia Sandford**

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And they to report when ready ~ The Queries and Answers with the Account hath been read and Consider'd in this Meeting and are Sent up to the Quarterly Meeting by our Friends who are **Elizabeth Howland** **Rebecca Smith** and **Deborah Howland** who are appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting and they to report to the Next Monthly Meeting A Certificate from the Monthly Meeting of **Accoakset** [**Acoaxet**] in Behalf of **Lydia Russell** Wife of **Stephen** was read and accepted in this Meeting ~ **Thirza Allens** Certificate was return'd to this Meeting with an Indosment from the Monthly Meeting of **Accoakset** Expressive of their unity with her while residing with them which was read in this Meeting and Accepted Collected at the South preparative Meeting Eight Shillings and Nine pence ~ This Meeting Ajourns to meet on that day which the mens Meeting Ajourns

Mett Agreeable to Ajournment <sup>th</sup> 30 of th: 11<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1796

Representatives all present Except **Elizabeth Tripp**

who was prevented by Sickness The Request of Friends in **Allens Neck** Respecting their Holding Meetings being granted by the mens Meeting this Meeting Unites therewith **Deborah Allen Elizabeth Howland** and **Sarah Gifford** and **Lucy Howland** are appointed to have the Oversight of S<sup>d</sup> Meetings and they to report to the Monthly Meeting in the 4<sup>th</sup> month Next A Certificate for **Stephen Buffington** was read in this and the mens Meeting and being approv'd was Signed by the Clerk A Request from this Meeting to the Monthly Meeting at **Eastown [Easton]** Respecting **Mary Cornell** was read approv'd and Signed

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A Request from From friends in **Smiths Neck** was read Requesting their Holding Meetings there the Ensuing Winter and after due Consideration thereon this Meeting Grants them Liberty to hold Meetings there as usual ~~And Appoint~~ **Sarah Howland Mary Smith** and **Mercy Anthony make** are appoined to have the Oversight of S<sup>d</sup> Meeting and they to report at the Expiration of the time appointed for the Meetings to be held

*12<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup>*  
*1796* At A Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held in **Dartmouth** <sup>th</sup> 19<sup>th</sup> of <sup>th</sup> 12<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1796

The Friends appointed to attend the Monthly Meetings from the South Preparative Meeting are **Mary Tucker** and **Lucy Howland** **Mary Tucker** present **Lucy Howland** prevented by the Severity of the Weather The representatives from the North Preparative Meeting Not being present this Meeting Ajourns to the 28<sup>th</sup> of this Instant Mett Agreeable to ajournment <sup>th</sup> 28<sup>th</sup> of <sup>th</sup> 12<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1796 Representatives all present Except one The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting Inform they all attended by whom we received an Extract from the Womens Quarterly Meeting minuets which was read in this Meeting and is as follows

Extracted from the Womens Quarterly Meeting minuets held at **New Bedford** <sup>th</sup> 9<sup>th</sup> of <sup>th</sup> 12<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 179[?]

The Deficiencies apparent in the Answers to the Queries in Divers Instances particularly the Neglect of Attending our Religious Meetings having been feelingly reviv'd and spread with Such weight in this Meeting as to Engage the minds



of Friends Solidly to Seek after Some Remedy, it being Sorrowfully Evident that where there is not Concern enough Individually felt to Engage friends to attend all their Meetings in a Solid Becoming Manner there Can be very little of the real ground work of Religion and purity in their minds in Order therefore to prevent further complaints of this kind the Clerk is Directed to Send Copies of this minuet to the Several Monthly Meetings and friends are Desir'd to fell after a Qualification and more fully attend to the Measure of that ~~grace~~ Spirit with which we are favoured and which will Enable us to walk Measurably Consistant with our profession

The Representa

tives now present are Desired to Enforce the Advice herein Contain'd and when favoured with Ability Suitably to hand a word of Counsel to those in whom they may observe Deficiencies of this kind Extracted by **Charity Rotch** Clerk

This Monthly Being Inform'd that **Meribah Slocum** hath Resided for some time within the Limits of **Eastown** Monthly Meeting **Rhachel Sandford** and **Elizabeth Sandford** are appointed to prepare a Certificate for her and bring to the Next Monthly Meeting if nothing appears to hinder

*1<sup>d</sup> m<sup>o</sup>* At A Monthly Meeting of Women Friends  
*1796* held in **Dartmouth** <sup>th</sup> 16<sup>th</sup> of <sup>th</sup> 1<sup>d</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1797

The Friends appointed to attend the Monthly Meeting from the South preparative Meeting are **Lucy Howland**

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And **Lydia Russell** and from the North **Elizabeth Tripp** and **Elizabeth Gifford** the Representatives from the South Preparative Meeting present **Elizabeth Gifford** was prevented by Indisposition Collected at the South Preparative Meeting five Shillings and a penny at the North Preparative Meeting three Shillings and two pence half penny

*2<sup>d</sup> m<sup>o</sup>* At A Monthly Meeting of Women Friends  
*1797* Held in **Dartmouth** <sup>th</sup> 20 of <sup>th</sup> 2<sup>d</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1797

The Friends appointed to attend the

Monthly Meeting from the South Preparative Meeting are **Deborah Allen** and **Sarah Wood** and those from the North **Rhoda Tucker** and **Rebecca Smith** all present The Friends appointed to Correct and Record the Minutes Inform they are Recorded up to the 2<sup>d</sup> m<sup>o</sup> The Friends appointed to Settle with the Treasury report they have attend[ed] to that Service and there remains in Stock 10 Shillings and 7 pence ½ **Elizabeth Jonson [Johnson]** Request our Certificate Recommending her to the Monthly Meeting at **Eastown [Easton]** **Edith Sisson** Request a few lines Recommending her to the Monthly Meeting at **New Bedford** **Abenezer Abner Shepherd** being Remov'd within the Compass of **New Bedford** Monthly Meeting requests our Certificate **Mary Smith** and **Mary Tucker** are appointed to join the men to prepare a Certificate for **Elizabeth Johnson** and her Son **Jam[es]** and Bring to the Next Monthly Meeting if Noth[ing] Appears to hinder **Jerusha Smith** and **Rhoda Tuck[er]** are appointed to join the men in preparing

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Certificate for **Abigail Shepherd** wife of **Abner** and bring to the Next Monthly Meeting if Nothing appears to Hinder Likewise to prepare a Certificate for **Edith Sisson** Recommending her to the Monthly Meeting at **New Bedford** **Bethiah Russell** is appointed Clerk for the year Ensuing

*3<sup>d</sup> M<sup>o</sup>  
1797* At A Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held in **Dartmouth** <sup>th</sup> 20 of <sup>th</sup> 3<sup>d</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1797  
The Friends <sup>^</sup>appointed to Attend this Meeting from the South Preparative Meeting are **Mary Tucker** and **Abigail Shepherd** and those from the North **Rhoda Tucker** and **Ruth Tucker** all present the Queries and Answers with the Account hath been read approved and Sign'd in this Meeting and are forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting by our representatives **Lucy Howland Rhoda Tucker** and **Anna Eddy** who we appointed attend the Quarterly Meeting and they to report to the next Monthly Meeting this meeting is informed **Abigail Sanford** formely **Smith** has kept company and Married out of the unity of Friends Likewise has had a Child soon after Marriage which is refer'd another month **Lidia Sanford** has sent a few line to this meeting condemning her misconduct which is refer'd another month the friends appointed to prepare a certificate for **Edith Sisson** have Brought one which was read approved and sined in this and the Mens Meeting recommending her to the

Monthly Meeting at **New Bedford** a certificate for **Elisabeth Jonson [Johnson]** and her son **James** was read approved and sined in this and the mens Meeting recommending them to the Monthly meeting at **Easton** Likewise one for **Abner Sheperd [Shepherd]** with his wife **Abigal** and their son **Abner** was

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read approved and sinned in this and the Mens meeting recommending them to the Monthly meeting at **New Bedford** collected at the South Preparative Meeting 7 1/2 at A Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held in **Dartmouth** <sup>th</sup> 18<sup>th</sup> day of <sup>th</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1797

8<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup>  
1797

The Friends appointed to attend the Monthly Meeting from the South Preparative Meeting are **Elizabeth Howland** and **Abigail Shepherd** those from the North **Rhoda Mott** and **Elizabeth Tripp** all present the Friends that were appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting Inform they all attended The Matter Respecting **Abigail Sandford** is still referd Another Month under the Care of the Overseers **Lydia Sandfords** paper is still refer'd Continued under the Same Friends Care ~ **Patience Potter** hath Sent a few paper to this Meeting Requesting to become a member of our Society **Jerusha Smith** and **Rhoda Tucker** are appointed to visit **Patience Potter** in order to Discover the Sincerity of her Request and they to report when ready **Susanna Rider** hath Sent a few lines to this Meeting Condemning her Misconduct **Mercy Anthony** and **Elizabeth Tripp Gifford** are Appointed to visit her in Order to Discover the State of her mind and they to report when ready ~ The Friends Appointed to have the Oversight of the Meetings held in **Smiths Neck** report they have been held in an Orderly

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Manner and to good Satisfaction Collected at the South Preparative Meeting 5<sup>s</sup> = 8<sup>d</sup>

5<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup>  
1797

At A Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held in **Dartmouth** <sup>th</sup> 15<sup>th</sup> of <sup>th</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1797

The Friends appointed to attend the Monthly

Monthly from the South Preparative Meeting are **Jerusha Smith** and **Rhoda Gifford** those from the North **Elifle Slade** and **Jedida Mosher** all present The Friends that were appointed to visit **Lydia Sandford** report they have found a Degree of Satisfaction in visiting her they think it may be safe to receive her Acknowledgment which report this Meeting unites with having the Concurrence of the men and receives her into unity She Causing <sup>her paper</sup> to be read Publicly before the Next Monthly Meeting The Friends that were appointed to visit **Susanna Rider** not being Ready to report is is Referd Another Month **Noah Gifford** and **Martha Hathaway** Declar d their Intentions of Marriage Before this Meeting Likewise **Asban** <sup>Osman</sup> **Wood** and **Sarah Tucker** and they are Desir'd to Wait untill Next Monthly Meeting for their Answer **Rhoda Tucker** and **Anne Eddy** is appointed to Inspect into **Sarah Tuckers** Clearness respecting Marriage and Conversation and they to report to the Next Monthly Meeting **Lucy Howland** and **Edith Russell** are appointed to mak Inquiry into **Martha Hathaways** Clearness Respecting marriage and Conversation and they to report to the Next Monthly Meeting ~ Collected at the South Preparative Meeting 3<sup>s</sup> 4<sup>d</sup> ~

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1797 At A Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held in **Dartmouth** <sup>th</sup> 19 of <sup>th</sup> 6<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1797

The Friends appointed to attend the Monthly <sup>Meeting</sup> from the South Preparative Meeting are **Mary Tucker** and **Mary Smith** those from the North **Mary Devol** and **Freelove Gifford** all present Except **Mary Devol** who was prevented by Indisposition The Answers to the Queries with the Account hath been read approv'd and Sign'd in this Meeting and are forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting by our Representatives who are **Mary Tucker Rhoda Tucker** and **Bethia Russell** who are appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting and they to report to the Next Monthly Meeting **Lydia Sanfords** paper hath not been read as Directed it is referd Another Month ~ The Friends that were appointed to visit **Susanna Rider** are not ready to report

it is Sill Continued under their Care ~ The  
 Friends that were appointed to Inspect into  
**Martha Hathaway** and **Sarah Tuckers** Clearness  
 Respecting marriage and Conversation report they  
 find nothing to Hinder their proceeding ~  
 Our Esteemed Friend **Charity Cook** and **Lydia Haskins**  
 Attended this Meeting to the Comfort and  
 Encouragement of the Living amongsus their  
 Gospel Labours of Love being Truly Acceptable  
 and Produc'd Satisfactory Certificates

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**Charity Cooks** from the Monthly Quarterly and  
 Yearly meetings to which She Belonged ~ The  
 Friends that were appointed to visit **Patience**  
**Potter** report they found a good Degree of Satisfac=  
 tion and think it may be Safe to receive her  
 which this Meeting Unites with and receives her  
 into Unity having the Concurrence of the mens  
 Meeting **Noah Gifford** and **Martha Hathaway**  
 appeard for their Answer Likewise **Ozbon Wood**  
 and **Sarah Tucker** which is they may proceed  
 in Marriage between this and the Next Month=  
 =ly Meeting Observing the good Order Establishd  
 amongst Friends **Lucy Howland** and **Edith**  
**Russell** are appointed to have the Oversight  
 of **Noah Giffords** and **Martha Hathaway** Marri=  
 age in Order that it may be Conducted Orderly  
 and they to report to the Next Monthly Meet=  
 =ing **Elizabeth Gifford** and **Elizabeth Tripp**  
 are appointed to have the Oversight **Ozbon Wood**  
 and **Sarah Tuckers** Marriage and they to report  
 to the Next Monthly Meeting ~ We have  
 Receiv'd the Copy of a minuet from the Monthly  
 Meeting of **New Bedford** in Behalf of **Sarah**  
**Mosher** which was read and Excepted in this  
 Meeting ~ Collected at the South Prepa=  
 =rative Meeting 2<sup>s</sup>.1<sup>d</sup> at the North 4<sup>s</sup>.2<sup>d</sup>~

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<sup>7<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup></sup>  
<sup>1797</sup> At A Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held  
 in **Dartmouth** <sup>th</sup> 17<sup>th</sup> of <sup>th</sup> 7<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1797

The Friends appointed to Attend the Monthly Meeting from the South Preparative Meeting are **Deborah Howland** and **Lilles Gifford** and those from the North **Rhoda Mott** and **Elizabeth Gifford** all present – The Friends that were appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting report they all attended **Lydia Sandfords** paper hath been read agreeable to the Direction of the Monthly Meeting and is as follows

To the Preparative and Monthly Meeting of Friends in **Dartmouth**

Dear Friends

Whereas through Unwatchfulness and Giving way to the Insinuations of the Enemy of all truth I have fallen into the Reproachfull Sin of Fornication as appears by my having a Child so soon after Marriage and Likewise Married out of the good order ~~Established~~ of Friends which Conduct I am Sincerely Sorry for and do Condemn hoping that I may find forgiveness from the Almighty and that my Friends will So far pass it by as to Continue me under their Care Beleiving I am Desirous to be your real Friend

**Lydia Sandford**

**Dartmouth** 16 of <sup>th</sup> 3<sup>d</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1797

## 102

The Matter Respecting **Susanna Rider** is still Continued under the Same Friends Care The Friends that were appointed to have the Oversight of **Noah Giffords** and **Martha Hathaways** Marriage report they Discovered Nothing but that It was Conducted Orderly – This Meeting is Inform'd that **Elizabeth Tripp** attended at the Marriage of **Osbon Wood** and **Sarah Tucker** and Discovered Nothing ~~th~~ but that it was Consumated Orderly We have receiv'd Transcrips of Epistles from our Yearly Meeting at **Rhodusland** Likewise from **Philidelphia [Philadelphia] √ New York** and **London** all which was read in this Meeting to Satisfaction the Salutary advice therein Contain'd being Truly Acceptable **Martha Gifford** being about to remove within the Limits of **Accoakset [Acoaxet]** Monthly Meeting requests our Certificate **Edith Russell** and **Lucy Howland** are appointed to prepare one and bring to the Next Monthly Meeting if Nothing appear<sup>s</sup> to Hinder ~ The Overseers have brought a Complaint against **Elisabeth Potter** for her Misconduct **Anna Eddy** and **Ruth Tucker** are appointed to draw a Testimony of Denial against ~~her and~~

**Elizabeth Potter** and bring to the Next Monthly Meeting – **Patience Potter** hath Sent a few lines to this Meeting Requesting friends Care for her Children Namely **Elizabeth William Ruby Benjamin Ruth** and **Sarah ~ Ruth Mosher** hath Requests a few lines Recommending her to the Monthly Meeting at **New Bedford Mary Devol and Elizabeth Gifford**

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### 103

Are appointed to prepare A Certificate for **Ruth Mosher** and bring to the Next Monthly Meeting if Nothing appears to hinder ~ **Walter Sharman [Shearman]** And **Hulda Wilbour** Declar'd their Intentions of Marriage in this Meeting and are Desired to wait untill next Monthly Meeting for their Answer **Mary Smith** and **Bethia Russell** are appointed to make Inquiry into **Hulda Wilbours** Clearness Respecting Marriage and Conversation and they to Report to the Next Monthly Meeting ~ Collected at the South Preparative Meeting 3<sup>s</sup> .. 5<sup>d</sup> **Elizabeth Gifford Rhoda Tucker** and **Meriah Smith** are appointed to visit **Abigail Sandford** and report when ready ~ A Certificate for **Meribah Slocum** was read approved and Sign'd in this and the mens Meeting Recommending her to the Monthly Meeting at **Eastown [Easton]** ~ The Friends appointed to have the Care of the Meetings held in **Allens Neck** report they were all attended and held in a good Degree Orderly ~ **Rebecca Smith** and **Abigail Russell** are appointed to join the men in visiting **Patience Potter** and her Children and make report when ready

*8<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup>  
1797* At A Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held in **Dartmouth** <sup>th</sup> 21<sup>d</sup> of <sup>th</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1797 The Friends appointed to attend the Monthly Meeting from the South Preparative Meeting are

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Are **Lydia Russell** and **Lucy Howland** those from the North **Elisle Slade** and **Rachel Mosher** all present ~ The Friends appointed to visit **Susanna Rider** Reporting to the Satisfaction of Friends This Meeting Accepts her Acknowledgment the men uniting therewith the Committe

Appointed to join the men in visiting **William H Potters** family report they have perform'd that Service and find So much Satisfaction as they think it Safe to receive their Children with which report this Meeting and mens Unites with and receives them as Members a removal Certificate for **Ruth Mosher** was read approv'd and Sign'd in this and the mens Meeting recommending her as a member to the Monthly Meeting at **New Bedford** ~ Likewise one for **Martha Gifford** was read approv'd and Sign'd in this and the mens Meeting Recommending her to the Monthly Meeting of **Accoakset [Acoaxet]** ~ A Certificate from the Monthly Meeting of **New Bedford** for **George B Almy** his Wife **Elizabeth** and their Daughter **Hannah** was read and Exceeded in this Meeting **Walter Shearman** and **Hulda Wilbour** appear'd for their Answer which is they may proceed in Marriage between this and the Next Monthly Meeting Observing the Good Order Establish'd in Society **Sarah Howland** and **Mary Smith** are appointed to have the Oversight of **Walter Shearman** and **Hulda Wilbours** Marriage and they to report to the Next Monthly Meeting **Meriah Smith** Requests Friends Care for her Daughter **Alice** Desiring friends to receive <sup>her</sup> as a member ~ **Dinah Howland** being about to remove within the Compass of **Eastown** Monthly Meeting Request our Certificate

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**Rhoda Tucker** and **Mary Tucker** are appointed to prepare one <sup>and</sup> bring to the Next Monthly Meeting if nothing appears to hinder Likewise to visit **John Smiths** family on account of **Meriah Smith** request for her Daughter ~ Collected at the South Preparative Meeting 2<sup>s</sup> 1<sup>d</sup>

<sup>9<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup></sup>  
1797 At A Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held in **Dartmouth** <sup>th</sup> 21 of <sup>th</sup> 9<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1797

The Friends appointed to attend this Meeting from the South Preparative Meeting are **Rachel Sandford** and **Mercy Shepherd** those from the North **Elizabeth Tripp** and **Jedida Mosher** all present **Mary Smith** reports She attended at the Marriage of **Walter Shearman** and **Hulda Wilbours** Marriage and Discover'd Nothing but that it was Conducted Orderly This Meeting is Inform'd **Sarah Howland** did not attend **Ruth Lapham**



hath Sent a few lines to this Meeting ~~Condemning~~  
 Condemning her Breaking an Order by Marrying out of  
 the Unity of Friends **Rhoda Gifford** and **Lydia Russell**  
 are appointed to visit **Ruth Lapam [Lapham]** in order to Discover  
 the Sincerity of her request <sup>acknowledgment</sup> and report to the Next  
 Monthly Meeting **Abigail Sandford** hath Sent a  
 few lines to this Meeting Condemning her Misconduct  
 the Friends that were appointed to visit **Abigail**  
**Sandford** not being ready to report it is still Continued  
 under their Care **Hulda Shearman** being about to  
 Remove within the Compass of **Newport** Monthly

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Meeting requests our Certificate **Mary Smith** and  
**Phebe Smith** are appointed to prepare a Certificate  
 for her and bring to the Next Monthly Meeting if  
 Nothing appears to hinder **Eunice Russell** hath Sent  
 a few lines to this Meeting Condemning her Disorderly Walking  
**Mary Smith** and **Mary Tucker** are appointed to visit her  
 in Order to Discover the State of her mind and they to  
 report when ready ~ The Queries and Answers with  
 the Account hath been read approv'd and Sign'd ~~in this~~  
~~and~~ in this Meeting and are ~~Directed~~ forwarded ~~th~~ to the  
 Quarterly Meeting by our Representatives who are **Mary**  
**Tucker** **Jedida Mosher** and **Mercy Slocum** who are appointed  
 to attend the Quarterly Meeting and they to report to  
 the Next Monthly Meeting **Mehetable Smith Wood**  
 hath Sent a few lines to this Meeting Requesting to Become  
 a Member of our Society **Elizabeth Tripp** and **Jerusha**  
**Smith** are appointed to visit **Mehetable Wood** on account  
 of her request ~~æ~~ and report when ready **Thomas Smith**  
 Being about to remove within the Compass of **Eastown [Easton]**  
 Monthly Meeting requests ~~øf~~ our Certificate for himself his  
 Wife and Children Likewise **John Devol** is about to  
 remove within the Limits of the Same Monthly Meeting  
 and Desires a Certificate **Deborah Smith** Being about to  
 Remove with her father **Thomas Smith** and Desires a  
 Certificate **Elizabeth Tripp** and **Freelove Gifford** are  
 appointed to join them men in preparing Certificates  
 for **Thomas Smith** and **John Devols** familys and bring to  
 the Next monthly Meeting if Nothing appears to hinder  
 A Removal Certificate for **William** <sup>Dinah</sup> **Howland** wife of  
**William** was read approv'd and Sign'd in this and the  
 mens Meeting Recommending her as a member to the  
 Monthly Meeting at **Eastown**

The Committe appointed to visit **John Smiths** family Reporting to the Satisfaction of this Meeting it is Concluded with the Concurrence of the mens Meeting to Receive **Alice Smith** Daughter of **John Smith** as a member – A Testimony of Denial against **Elizabeth Potter** wife of **Garner** was read approv'd and Sign'd in this and the mens meeting and is to be read in the Usual Publick manner and Return'd to the Clerk to go on Record

10<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup>  
1797

At A Monthly Meeting of Women Friends Held in **Dartmouth** <sup>th</sup> 15 <sup>th</sup> of <sup>th</sup> 10 m<sup>o</sup> 1797

The Friends appointed to attend the Monthly Meeting from the South Preparative Meeting are **Mary Smith** and **Rhoda Gifford** those from the North **Rhoda Mott** and **Meriah Smith** all present except **Meriah Smith** The Friends that were appointed to visit attend the Quarterly Meeting report they all attended the Committe appointed to visit **Abigail Sandford** not all being present it is referd Another month under the Same friends Care the Committee appointed to visit **Ruth Lapham** making a Satisfactory report it is the Conclusion of this Meeting to Except her Acknowledgment the mens meeting uniting therewith – The Friends appointed to visit **Unice Russell** report they have found a good Degree of Satisfaction in visiting her and think it may be Safe to receive her Acknowledgment which this Meeting Unites with having the

Concurrence of the mens Meeting and receive her into unity She Causing her paper to be read in the usual manner Publickly and A Certificate for **Hulda Shearman** was read approv'd and Sign'd in this and the mens Meeting recommending her a member to the Monthly Meeting at **Rhodisland [Rhode Island]** – The Committee appointed to visit **Mehetable Wood** report they have perform'd that Service to a Degree of Satisfaction and Friends Uniting therewith it is the Conclusion of this Meeting to receive her as a member having the Concurrence of the mens meeting – A removal Certifi= Cate for **Thomas Smith** and **Rebecca** his Wife with their Children Namely **Joseph Howland Rebecca** and **Rachel** was read approv'd and Sign'd in this and the mens Meeting Recommending them to the Monthly Meeting at **Eastown [Easton]** A Testimony of Denial Against **Elizabeth Potter** Wife of **Garner** hath been read Agreeable to the <sup>direction of the</sup> monthly Meeting and is a follows

**Elizabeth Potter** wife of **Garner Potter** hath had a Bithright amongst Friends But through Inattention to

the truth and the leadings of it hath Given way so far  
to a vain mind as to fall into the Reproachful Sin of  
Fornication for which Friends hath Labour'd if haply  
they might prevail with her to Condemn the Same  
to the Satisfaction of her friends and the peace of her own  
mind but our Labours of love not having the Desir'd  
Effect Therefore as a Testimony against Such  
Obscene Conduct we do Deny the S<sup>d</sup> **Elizabeth** from  
A right of membership with us untill by repentance  
She may Condemn her Outgoings which is our Desire

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Given forth at our Monthly Meeting of Friends  
held in **Dartmouth** 18<sup>th</sup> of <sup>th</sup> 9<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1797

Signed on behalf of S<sup>d</sup> Meeting by **Joseph Eastes** Clerk  
**Bethia Russell** Clerk

**Unice Wood** hath Sent a few lines to this Meeting  
Condemning her breaking an Order **Mercy Slocum**  
and **Deborah Allen** are appointed to visit **Unice**  
**Wood** in Order to Discover the Sincerity of her  
Request to Friends and they to report when ready

This meeting is Inform'd that **Josias Wood Jun<sup>r</sup>**  
hath remov'd within the Limits of **New Bedford**  
Monthly Meeting and requests our Certificate  
for himself his Wife and Children **Mercy Slocum**  
and **Lucy Howland** are appointed to join the men  
in preparing one and bring to the Next Monthly  
Meeting if Nothing appears to hinder  
**Silvenus Taber** and **Elizabeth Hart** Declar'd  
their Intentions of marriage before this meeting  
Likewise **Samuel Slade** and **Peace Wing** and  
they are desir'd to wait untill next Monthly  
Meeting for an Answer **Rhoda Mott** and **Elizabeth**  
**Tripp** are appointed to mak inquiry into **Elizabeth**  
**Hart** and **Peace Wings** Clearness respecting  
marriage and Conversation and report to the  
next Monthly Meeting – A Removal Certificate  
for **Deborah Smith** was read approv'd and Sign'd in this  
and the mens meeting Recommending her to the  
Monthly Meeting at **Eastown [Easton]**

**109**

*11<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup>  
1797* At A Monthly Meeting of Women Friends  
held in **Dartmouth** 21<sup>th</sup> of <sup>th</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1797

The Friends appointed to attend the Monthly Meeting  
from the South Preparative Meeting are **Abigail Shepherd**  
and **Deborah Howland** those from the North **Rhoda**  
**Tucker** and **Abigail Russell** all present – The

Friends appointed to visit **Unice Wood** not being ready to report it is referd another Month under the Same friends Care – The Queries and Answers with the accounts hath been read and Consider'd in this Meeting and are forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting by our Representatives Friends ~~who are~~ **Rhoda Tucker** and **Mary Smith** who are appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting and they to report to the Next Monthly Meeting This Meeting is Inform'd from the Preparative Meeting **Patience Russell** Requests a removal Certificate to the Monthly Meeting at **New Bedford** **Mary Tucker** and **Rhoda Tucker** are appointed to prepare one and bring to the Next Monthly Meeting if Nothing appears to hinder – The friends appointed to make Inquiry into **Elizabeth Hart** and **Peace wings** Clearness respecting marriage and Conversation report they find Nothing to hinder their proceedings This meeting Concludes and Ajourns to the 29<sup>th</sup> of this Instant

Mett Agreeable to ajournment <sup>th</sup> 29<sup>th</sup> of <sup>th</sup> 11 m<sup>o</sup> 1797

**Rhoda Tucker** only present of the Friends appointed to attend the Monthly Meeting – A Certificate for **Mary Cornell** Wife of **Daniel** was read approv'd and Sign'd in this and the mens meeting recommending her to the Monthly Meeting at **Eastown**

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### 110

**Mehetable Tucker** hath Sent a few lines to this Meeting Requesting Friends Care for her Children namely **William Rebecca** and **David Rhoda Mott** and **Elizabeth Gifford** are appointed to join the men in visiting her and family on that Account and report When ready --- **Silvenius Taber** and **Elizabeth hart** appeard for their Answer Likewise **Samuel Slade** and **Peace Wing** which is they may proceed in Marriage Between this and the Next Monthly Meeting Observing the good order in Society **Rhoda Tucker** and **Elizabeth Gifford** are appointed to have the Oversight of **Silvenius Taber** and **Elizabeth Hart** **Sammuel Slade** and **Peace Wings** Marriage ~~in order~~ that it may be Conducted Orderly and they to report to the Next Monthly Meeting Collected at the South Preparative Meeting 4<sup>s</sup>.1<sup>d</sup> --

12<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup>.  
1797

At A Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held in **Dartmouth** <sup>th</sup> 18<sup>th</sup> of <sup>th</sup> 12<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1797

The Clerk being absent this Meeting appoints **Edith Russell** Clerk for the day Representatives from the South Preparative Meeting are **Basheba Allen** and **Lucy Howland** and those from the North **Elisle Slade** and **Ruth Tucker** all present – The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting Inform they

all attended – The friends appointed to attend **Silvenius Taber** and **Elizabeth Hart Samael Slade** and **Peace Wings** Marriage report they attended to that appointment And discovered nothing but they are Conducted Orderly The friends that had the Care of **Unice Woods** Wife of **Zeureah Wood** Acknowledgment report they have visited her and found a Degree of Satisfaction which this Meeting

### 111

Excepts having the Concurrence of the men – A Certificate for **Patience Russell** Widow Was read approv'd and Sign'd in this and the mens recommending her to the Monthly Meeting at **New Bedford** – The Committee appointed to have the Care of **Mehetable Tuckers** request <sup>^Inform</sup> they have visited the family to a good Degree of Satisfaction and think it may be Safe to receive her Children Namely **William Rebecca** and **David** into Membership with friends which this Meeting <sup>^with the mens</sup> unites with – This Meeting is Inform'd from the mens they are about to deny **Phillip Russell** from any right of membership with friends which this meeting unites with – A Certificate for **Jonas Wood** his Wife **Philidelphia** with their Children **Asa** and **Abraham** was read approv'd and Sign'd in this and the mens Meeting recommending them to the Monthly Meeting at **New Bedford** – **Lydia Lapham** hath Sent a few lines to this Meeting desiring to Come under the Care of friends **Mercy Slocum** and **Deborah Allen** are appointed to have the Care of her request in order to Discover the Sincerity of her mind and they to report when ready **Abner Potter** and **Sarah Wood** declard their Intentions of marriage with Each other Before this Meeting they are Desired to wait untill next Monthly Meeting for an Answer **Mercy Slocum** and **Lucy Howland** are appointed to make Inquiry into **Sarah Woods** Clearness Respecting Marriage and Conversation and they to report to the Next Monthly Meeting A Request from friends in **Allens Neck** for holding Meetings the Ensuing Winter untill the 4<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> was read and granted to begin at **Timothy Giffords** there to be held one month then to be held the remainder of the time where the following Committe who have the Care thereof may think best who are **Deborah Allen Elizabeth Howland Deborah Howland** and **Basheba Allen** and they to report at the

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### 112

Expiration of S<sup>d</sup> time Also a Similar Request from friends in **Smiths Neck** which is <sup>^also</sup> Allow'd to begin at **Mary Smiths** and the following Committe are Directed to view the time and place of Holding S<sup>d</sup> Meeting as they

may think best and they are to Continue till the  
Monthly Meeting in the 3<sup>d</sup> month Next Under the care  
of a Committe who are **Mary Smith** and **Sarah Howland**  
*1<sup>d</sup> m<sup>o</sup>* At A Monthly Meeting of <sup>^</sup>Women friends held in **Dartmouth**  
*1798* <sup>th</sup> 14<sup>th</sup> of <sup>th</sup> 1 m<sup>o</sup> 1798

The friends appointed to attend this Meeting from the  
South preparative Meeting are **Anna Eddy** and  
**Sarah Howland** and those from the North **Elizabeth Tripp**  
and **Sarah Mosher** all present – This Meeting is Inform'd  
that **Unice Russell's** paper hath been read Agreeable  
to the Conclusion of the Monthly Meeting and is as  
follows To the Preparative and Monthly Meeting of  
Women Friends at **Dartmouth** Dear Friends  
Having been favour'd in Some measure with as sense  
of my Transgressions in Deviating so far from the paths  
of Rectitude and virtue by having a Child So soon after  
marriage as to render it Necessary As to Marry Contrary  
to the Establish'd Order of your religious Society which  
Conduct I am Sorry for and Sincerely Condemn and am  
Desirous that friends may after Deliberate Considerations  
pass it by and again receive me into membership  
from your Friend **Eunice Russell**

**New Bedford** <sup>th</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1798 1797

**Mary Tucker** and **Mary Smith** are appointed to prepare a  
Certificate for **Unice Russell** recommending her to the Monthly  
Meeting at **New Bedford** and Bring to the Next Monthly  
Meeting – The friends appointed to ~~attend~~ Inspect into  
**Sarah Woods** Clearness respecting marriage and Conversation  
report they find Nothing h to hinder her proceeding  
**Abner Potter** and **Sarah Wood** appear'd for their

### 113

Answer which is they may proceed in marriage between  
this and the Next Monthly Meeting Observing the good order  
Establish'h'd amongs't Friends This meeting Is Inform'd from  
the Preparative Meeting that **Roba Wilbour** Wife of **Stephen**  
hath kept Company and married out of the Unity of friends  
Likewise hath had a Child soon after Marriage **Mary**  
**Smith** and **Mercy Slocum** are appointed to visit her in  
Order to discover the State of her mind on account of  
her disorderly walking and draw a Testimony of Denial  
against her and Bring to the Next Monthly Meeting  
untill there appears in her a desire ~~in her~~ to be united  
to friends again **Mary Tucker** and **Mercy Slocum** are  
appointed to <sup>^</sup>assist the Clerk to Inspect in Correcting and recording the minuets  
**Lucy Howland** and **Mercy Slocum** are appointed to have  
the Oversight of **Abner Potter** and **Sarah Wood**  
Marriage that it may be Conducted Orderly and they  
to report to the Next Monthly Meeting – **Asa**  
**Howland** and **Roba Russell** declar'd their Intentions  
of marriage before this meeting they are desir'd to wait  
untill next Monthly Meeting for their Answer **Sarah**

**Gifford** and **Deborah Allen** are appointed to make Enquiry into **Roba Russells** Clearness respecting marriage and Conversation and report At to the Next Monthly Meeting Collected at the North Preparative Meeting 7<sup>s</sup>..6<sup>d</sup> Settled with the Treasury and their remains in Stock 1<sup>£</sup>..10<sup>s</sup>..7<sup>d</sup>

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2<sup>d</sup> mo  
1798

at A Monthly Meeting of Friends held in **Dartmouth**

<sup>th</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> 2<sup>d</sup> mo 179

the friends appointed to attend this meeting from the South preparative meeting are **Anne Edy [Eddy]** & **Bethiah Russell** those from the North **Rodah Tucker** and **Hannah poter [Potter]** all present except **Rodah Tucker** the friends appointed to visit **Phebe Willbur** not being ready to report it is still continued under the same friends care the friends appointed to assist in recording the minits inform they have attended to that service and thay are recorded up to the 2<sup>d</sup> m<sup>o</sup> **Lucy howland** informs she attended **Aner Rotis [Abner Potter?]** and **Sarah Woods** Marrege and Discovered nothing but it was conducted orderly the friends appointed to make inquiry into **Robe Russell** clearness Respecting Marriage and Conversation report they find nothing to hinder <sup>his</sup> proceeding certificate for **unice Russell** wife of **William** was read approved and sin'd in this and the mens meeting recommending her to this monthly meeting at **N. Bedford Bethiah Russell** is reapointed Clerk for the year insuing **asia Howland** and **Robe Russell** appear'd for their answer which is thay may proceed in marrige between this and the next monthly meeting observeing the good order eastablished among friends **Mercy Slocum** and **Sarah howland** are appointed to have the oversight of there marrige that it may be conducted orderly and thay to report to the next monthly meeting colected in the South preparative meeting one Shilling six pence

3<sup>d</sup> m<sup>o</sup>  
1798

at a Monthly Meeting of Friends held in **Dartmouth**

3<sup>d</sup> mo 19<sup>th</sup> 1798

the friends appointed to attende this meeting from the south preparative meeting are **Mary Smith** and **Sarah Wood** those from the North **Rodah Tucker** and **Elizabeth gifford** all presant the friends appointed to visit **Robe Willber** not being ready to report it is still continued under the same friends care the friends appointed to have the oversight of **asia howland** and **Robe Russell's** Marrige report thay attended and Discovered nothing but it was conducted orderly the friends appointed to settel with the Tresury inform thay have attended to that servise and there remains in Stock 1<sup>£</sup>..10<sup>s</sup>..7<sup>d</sup> **Sarah wood** is appointed to assist in setteling with the tresury **jerusha Smith** is released from that servis the Queries and answers with the account have been read approved and sin'd in this

Meeting and are forwarded to the Quartly Meeting by our friends **Rodah Tucker** And **Sarah Howland** who are apointed as representatives to attend the Quartly Meeting and thay to report to the next monthly meeting **Unice Wood** having remov'd within the Limits of **N. Bedford** Monthly Meeting requests our certifacate **Mary Tucker** and **anne Edy [Eddy]** are appointed to prepar one and Bring to the next monthly meeting if nothing a appears to hinder this meeting is inform'd that **Abigal cornell** formerly **Allin [Allen]** has kept company and married out of the unity of friends Likewise **Mary Morten** formerly **edy [Eddy]** hath kept company and married with one not a member **Elisabeth Howland** and **Bethia Russell** are appointed to have the care of writeing to **Abigal cornell** on account of her disorderly Walking and thay to report when ready **Abigal Russell** and **Elifal <sup>^Slade</sup>** are appointed to visit **Mary Morten** and report to the next monthly meeting **Caleb Barker** requests our certifacate for him<sup>^selfe</sup> & family **Rodah Tucker** and **Elisabeth** also **Samusell Slade** for him self & wife **Tripe** are appointed to assist in preparing them a certifacate for **mary Devol** was read approv'd and sin'd in this and the mens meeting recomm<sup>ending</sup> her to the monthly meeting at **easton** a Request from friends in **Smiths Neck** for holding <sup>^meetings</sup> another month was read and granted in this meeting to be held under the care of the former commite this meeting  
ajourns to the 23<sup>th</sup> of this instant Meet agreeable to ajourn<sup>ment</sup>  
th 28<sup>th</sup> 3<sup>d</sup> mo 1798

the representatives all presant except **Elisabeth gifford** a certifacate From the monthly meeting of **New Bedford** on Behalf of **William Russell** and his Wife **Hipzabe** with their Children Namely **Phebe Ruth Dinah Lydia Abraham Hipzabe** was read and excepted in this meeting colected in the south preparative meeting 3/2<sup>d</sup>

4<sup>th</sup> m<sup>e</sup>  
1798

At Monthly Meeting of Women Friends  
held in **Dartmouth** th 16<sup>th</sup> of th 4<sup>th</sup> m<sup>e</sup> 1798

The Friends appointed to attend the Monthly Meeting from the South Preparative Meeting are **Jerusha Smith** and **Lucy Howland** those from the North **Freelove Gifford** and **Rhoda Mott** all present The Friends <sup>^appointed to</sup> Attend the Quarterly Meeting report they attended The Friends appointed to visit **Mary Morton** not being ready to report it is referd Another Month under

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The same friends Care **Judith Hathaway** hath Sent a few lines to this Meeting Desiring to make Friends Satisfaction **Martha smith** and **Deborah Allen** are appointed to visit her and they to report when ready A Certificate for **Unice Wood** Wife of **Zerawiah** was read approv'd and Sign'd in this and the mens Meeting Recommending her to the Monthly Meeting at **New**



**Bedford** The Friends appointed to visit **Roba Wilbour [Wilbur]** having visited her and not finding her in a Disposition <sup>of mind</sup> to be United to Friends A Testimony of denial against her a was read approv'd and Sign'd in this and the mens Meeting which is to be read publicly between this and the Next Monthly Meeting ----  
**Jerusha Smith Mary Tucker** and **Mercy Anthony** are appointed to the Service of Overseers ~~for the year~~ **Ensuing** of Disorders The Committee appointed to have the Oversight of the Meetings ~~had~~ held in **Allens Neck** report they have been held in good Degree Orderly and to good Satisfaction A Similar report from the Committee appointed to have the Care of the Meetings in **Smiths Neck** was read to good Satisfaction A Certificate for **Samuel Slade** and his Wife **Peace** was read approv'd and Sign'd in this and the mens Meeting recommending them to the Monthly Meeting at **Westport** **Mary Smith Rhoda Tucker** and **Mary Tucker** are appointed to join the mens in Lending Such Assistance to **Rebecca** and **Joanna Tucker** as from time to time may appear Necessary Collected at the South Preparative Meeting 5/

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3<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup>  
1798

At Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held in **Dartmouth** th 21 of th 3<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1798 The Friends appointed to attend this Meeting from the South preparative Meeting are **Rachael Sandford** and **mary Wing** Those from the North **Meraah Smith** and **Mehetable Tucker** all present the Clerk of this Meeting being Absent **Mercy Slocum** is appointed Clerk for the day The friends appointed to visit **Judith Hathaway** not being ready to report it is still Continued under the Same friends Care The Friends appointed to visit **Mary Morton** having perform'd that Service and bring a Satisfactory report with her Acknowledgment which is accepted the mens Meeting uniting therewith a Testimony of Denial against **Roba Wibour [Wilbur]** hath been read agreeable to the Conclusion of Last Monthly Meeting and is as followeth

From our Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held in **Dartmouth** th 15 of th 8 m<sup>o</sup> 1791 **Roba Wilbour [Wilbur]** having been a member of our Society but for not attending to that Inward principle that would have preserved from Evil hath So far Deviated therefrom not only in marrying a man not in unity with us but in having a Child Erlier after marriage than is Consistant with Chastity and Friends having Dischargd themselves in tender Council towards her but they not finding her in a disposition to Condemn her Conduct to our Satisfaction we are Concerned for the Clearing of our Testimony thus Publickly to testify against her being a member of our Religious Society untill She shall be favour'd to See the Inconsistency of her past Conduct and make friends Satisfaction which is our Desire Signed In Behalf of the Monthly Meeting by **Bethia Russell** Clerk

The friends appointed to visit **Abigail Sandford** have attended to that Service and Brought a Satisfactory <sup>^report</sup> which was accepted the mens Meeting uniting therewith She Causing her paper to be read in the usual Publick manner and returnd to the Clerk to go on Record **Sarah Howland Lucy Howland and Elizabeth Howland** <sup>^Gifford</sup> is reappointed to the Service of Overseers of Disorders

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for the year Ensuing **Rhoda Gifford** Desires to be releas'd from that Service and is Dismis'd This Meeting is Inform'd from the North Preparative Meeting that **William Russell** desires a Certificate for himself and family recommending them to the Monthly Meeting at **New Bedford Rhoda Tucker and Meriah Smith** are appointed to join the men in preparing one and bring to the Next Monthly Meeting if Nothing appears to hinder Collected in the South Preparative Meeting 3 Shillings **Hannah Wood** is reappoint=ed overseer of the poor <sup>^Elipheh Slade</sup> is appointed overseer of the poor **Elizabeth** <sup>^Tripp</sup> is releas'd from that

Service Receiv'd at Certificate from **New Bedford Month=**ly Meeting in Behalf of **Richard Davis** and his Wife **Ruth** which is accepted

*6<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup>  
1798*

At A Monthly Meeting of Friends held in **Dartmouth** <sup>th</sup> 18 of <sup>th</sup> 6<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1798 The Friends appointed to attend this Meeting from the South Preparative Meeting are **Mary Smith and Mary Tucker** and from the North **Rhoda Tucker and Elizabeth Gifford** all present the Friends appointed to visit **Judith Hathaway** not being ready to report it is referd another Month under the Same Friends Care The Queries and Answers with the account hath been read approv'd and Sign'd in this Meeting and are forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting by our friends n **Rhoda Tucker Mehetable Slocum Mary Wing and Sarah Wood** who are appointed representatives to attend the Quarterly Meeting and they to report to the Next Monthly Meeting We have at this time been favour'd with the Company of our Estemed Friends **Mary Prior** from **Great Britian [Britain]** and **Elizabeth folke** from **Philidelphia** whose Gospel Labours amongst us hath been truly Comfortable and Edifying to the honest in heart amongst us our Friends produced Satisfactory Certificates from the Monthly and Quarterly Meetings to which they Belonged Likewise our Friend

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**Meheteble Jenkins** from **Dover** with her Companion **Sarah Cartland [?]** attended this Meeting whose Company and Labours amongst were truly Acceptable **Abigail Russell** having Remov'd within the

Limits of **Eastown [Easton]** Monthly Meeting requests our Certificate  
**Mercy Anthony** and **Bethia Russell** are appointed to prepare  
one and bring to the Next Monthly Meeting if Nothing appe=  
=ars to hinder A Removal Certificate for **William Russell**  
and his Wife **Hipsibah** with their Children Namely **Phebe**  
**Ruth Dinah Lydia Abraham** and **Hipsiba** was read approv'd  
and Sign'd in this and the mens Meeting Recommending  
them as Members to the Monthly Meeting at **New Bedford**

7<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup>  
1798

At A Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held in **Dartmouth**  
th 16 of th 7<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1798 The friends appointed to attend this Meeting  
from the South preparative meeting are **Elizabeth Howland** and  
**Lucy Howland** and from the North **Patience Potter** and **Hannah**  
**Potter** all present The friends appointed to attend the Quarter  
ly Meeting Inform they all attended The Friends appointed  
to visit **Judith Hathaway** have brought a Satisfactory report  
which this Meeting Accepts and Receive her into Unity the mens  
Meeting Uniting therewith The <sup>Friends</sup> appointed to prepare a Certificate  
for **Abigail Russell** being prevented from attending to that  
Service by Sickness it is refer'd Another Month Under the  
Same friends Care it is the Conclusion of this Meeting to  
Disown **Abigail Cornell** from having a right of Member  
=ship among Friends **Sarah Gifford** is appointed to Inform  
her of her Denial **Mary Morton** requests a removal  
Certificate to the Monthly Meeting of **New Bedford**  
**Mary Tucker** and **Meriah Smith** are appointed to  
prepare one and bring to the Next Monthly Meeting if  
Nothing appears to Hinder **Abigail Sandfords** Acknow=  
=ledgment hath been read Agreeable to the Conclusion  
of the Monthly Meeting and is as follows

To the Preparative and Monthly Meeting of Friends  
to be held in **Dartmouth** th 14 and 19 of th 9<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1797  
Dear Friends Whereas I have so far deviated from the good order

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~~of Friends~~ Establish'd in <sup>amongst Friends</sup> as to keep Company out of the  
Unity of Friends Likewise having a Child Soon after  
Marriage all which I do Condemn and am Sorry for Desiring  
Friends to pass it by and let me remain under their Care

**Abigail Sandford**

8<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup>  
1798

At A Monthly Meeting of Friends held in  
**Dartmouth** th 20 of th 8<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1798

The Friends appointed to attend this Meeting from  
the South preparative Meeting are **Mary Smith** and  
**Hannah Wood** and those from the North **Elisle Slade**  
and **Elizabeth Gifford** all present the Friends appoint=  
ed to prepare a Certificate for **Mary Morton** not having  
brought one forward it is referd another Month under

the Same friends Care **Lidia Russell** Widow having remov'd within the Limits of **Accoakset [Acoaxet]** Monthly Meeting and requests our Certificate **Lucy Howland** and **Hannah Wood** are appointed to ~~bring~~ prepare one and bring to ~~bring~~ the Next Monthly Meeting if Nothing appears to hinder **Benjamin Allen** hath Sent a few lines to this Meeting requesting Friends Care for his Children Namely **William Phebe Humphrey** and **Lidia** we have receiv'd Transcrips of Epistles from our Yearly Meeting of Women Friends on **Rhodisland [Rhode Island]** Likewise one at <sup>from</sup> **new York** Containing Seasonable advice which was read in this Meeting to Satisfaction a removal Certificate for **Abigail Russell** was read approv'd and Sign'd in this and the mens Meeting Recommending her to the Monthly Meeting at **East town [Easton]** Collected in the South Preparative Meeting 4/4<sup>d</sup> in the North Preparative Meeting 4/1<sup>d</sup> 1/2

9<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup>  
1798

At A Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held in **Dartmouth** <sup>th</sup> 17 of <sup>th</sup> 9<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1798

The Friends appointed to attend the Monthly Meeting from the South Preparative Meeting are **Sarah Howland**

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And **Deborah Howland** those from the North are **Rhoda Tucker** and **Jedida Mosher** all present the Friends appointed to prepare a Certificate for **Mary Morton** not having brought one it is refer'd another month under the Same friends Care the friends appointed to Inform **Abigail Cornell** of her denial report She is Inform'd the Queries and Answers ~~with the account~~ to the first Second and twelvth Queries with the account has been read approv'd and Sign'd in this ~~and the mens~~ Meeting and are forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting by our ~~representatives~~ Friends **Sarah Howland Rhoda Tucker Bethia Russell** and **Patience Potter** who are appointed as representatives to attend the Quarterly Meeting and they to report to the Next Monthly Meeting This Meeting is Inform'd that **Meribah Arnold** hath removed from within the limits of this Monthly Meeting and hath not requested a Certificate neither doth it appear She hath attended our religious Meetings or requested Friends advice on account of her removal it is therefore the Conclusion of this Meeting to disown her from being any Longer a member of our Society the mens Meeting uniting with us therein **Sarah Gifford** and **Anne Eddy** are appointed to Inform her of her Denial The Overseers Inform this Meeting that **Patience Mosher** formerly **Potter** hath kept Company and Married out of the Unity of friends **Rhoda Tucker** and **Ruth Tucker** are appointed to visit her and they to report when ready A removal Certificate for **Lydia Russell** was read approv'd and Sign'd in this and the men's Meeting Recommending her to the Monthly Meeting at **Accoakset Lucy Howland** and **Mary Smith** are appointed to join the men in visiting **Benjamin Allens** family and report when ready

This Meeting Ajourns to the 26 of this Instant

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Mett Agreeable to Ajournement<sup>th</sup> 26 of<sup>th</sup> 9<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1798

The representatives all present Except **Sarah Howland** who was prevented by Sickness

10<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup>  
1798

At A Monthly Meeting of friends held in **Dartmouth**<sup>th</sup> 19<sup>th</sup> of<sup>th</sup> 10 m<sup>o</sup> 1798 The friends appointed to attend this Meeting from the South preparative Meeting are **Abigail Shepherd** and **Mary Smith** and those from the North **Elizabeth Gifford** and **Hannah Potter** all present Except **Hannah Potter** who was prevented by Sickness **Rhoda Tucker** and **Patience Potter** Inform they attended the Quarterly Meeting **Sarah Howland** was prevented by Sickness **Bethia Russell** Informs She did not attend **Patience Potter** hath Sent a few lines to this Meeting Condemning her Disorderly Walking **Elizabeth Gifford** and **Elizabeth Tripp** are appointed to join the former Committee in visiting her and make report when ready. the Committee appointed to visit **Lidia Lapham** report they have attended to that Service and find a Degree of Satisfaction in visiting her it is therefore the Conclusion of this Meeting to receive her into Membership with us the mens Meeting Uniting therewith A Transcript of an Epistle from **philidelphia** hath been read in this Meeting to Satisfaction **Phebe Howland** hath Sent a few lines to this Meeting requesting to become a member of our Society **Lucy Howland Phebe Smith** and **Rhoda Tucker** are appointed to visit her to Discover the State of her mind on account of her request and they to make report when ready **Bethia Russell** is releas'd from the place of an Overseer **Abigail Howland** is appointed to that Service The Friends appointed to join the men in visiting **Benjamin Allens** family report they have all Attended to ~~that Service~~ their appointment and finding a Degree of Satisfaction think it may be safe to receive them it is therefore the Conclusion of this

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Meeting to receive them into Membership with us the mens Meeting Uniting ~~with us~~ therewith their names are **William Humphrey Phebe** and **Lydia Thomas Mott & Rhoda Mosher Joseph Mosher** and **Phebe Hart** Publis'hd their Intention of Marriage in this Meeting and they are requested to wait for their Answer untill next Monthly Meeting **Elizabeth Tripp** and **Elizabeth Gifford** are appointed to Inspect into **Rhod Mosher** and **Phebe Harts** Clearness respecting

Marriage and Conversation and they to report to the Next Monthly Meeting **David Sharman [Shearman]** and **Anna Tucker** Publish'd their Intention of Marriage in this Meeting and are Desir'd to wait untill next Monthly for their Answer **Abigail Shepherd** and **Bethia Russell** are appointed to Inspect into **Anna Tuckers** Clearness Respecting marriage and Conversation and report to the Next Monthly Meeting

11<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup>  
1798

At A Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held in **Dartmouth** <sup>th</sup> 19 of <sup>th</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1798 The Friends appointed to attend this Meeting from the South Preparative Meeting are **Anna Eddy** and **Elizabeth Howland** and those from the North **Elizabeth Tripp** and **Sarah Mosher** all present except **Elizabeth Howland** the Friends appointed to Inform **Meribah Arnold** of her Denial report She is Inform'd the Queries and Answers to the first Second and twelvth Queries with the account hath been read approv'd and Sign'd in this Meeting and are Sent to the Quarterly Meeting by our repres Friends **Lucy Howland** **Mercy Anthony** and **Elizabeth Gifford** who are appointed as representatives to attend the Quarterly Meeting and they to report to the Next Monthly Meeting

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The Friends appointed to Inspect into the young Womens Clearness respecting Marriage and Conversation report they find Nothing to Hinder their proceedings in Marriage **Joseph** <sup>^Russell</sup> Requests that his Daughter **Mary** may be receiv'd into Membership **Mercy Anthony** and **Sarah Gifford** are appointed to visit the family and report when ready A Certificate <sup>^from New Bedford Monthly Meeting</sup> on Behalf of **Deliverence** <sup>^Mehetable</sup> **Smith** and his Wife of **Deliverence** and one on behalf of **Sarah Riketson [Ricketson]** Recommending them to our Care hath been read and accept=  
=ed **Thomas Mott** and **Rhoda Mosher** **Joseph Mosher** and **Phebe Hart** appear'd in this Meeting for their Answer and Nothing appearing to hinder the were allowed to proceed agreeable to the good order Establish'd among us **Elizabeth Tripp** and **Elizabeth Gifford** are appointed to Attend their Marriages and report to our next Monthly Meeting Also **David Sharman [Shearman]** and **Anna Tucker** appear'd for their Answer and Nothing appearing to Hinder were allowed to proceed **Bethia Russell** and **Rhoda Tucker** are appointed to attend their Marriage and report to our Next Monthly Meeting This Meeting Ajourns to the 28 of this Instant

Mett ggreeable to ajournment <sup>th</sup> 28<sup>th</sup> of <sup>th</sup> 11<sup>mo</sup> 1798 The Clerk being Absent **Edy Russell** is appointed Clerk for the

Day the representatives all present Except **Elizabeth Tripp**  
**Joseph Wing** hath Sent a few lines to this Meeting Requesting  
for himself and family to be Set of to **Accoakset [Acoaxet]** Monthly  
Meeting **Lucy Howland** and **Rachael Maccumber [Macumber]** are appointed  
to join the men in visiting them and report to the Next  
Monthly Meeting **Mary Gifford** Wife to **Elijah** hath Sent a few  
lines to this Meeting requesting to become a member of our  
Society **Martha Smith** and **Elizabeth Howland** are appointed  
to visit her on that Account and report when ready

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Friends in **Allens Neck** have requested the favour of holding  
Meetings there as usual amongs't them which this Meeting  
Grants and appoints **Sarah Gifford Elizabeth Howland Rachael**  
**Maccumber [Macumber]** and **Deborah Howland** to have the oversight of said  
Meetings and report at the expiration of the time for holding them

12<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup>  
1798

At A Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held in  
**Dartmouth** <sup>th</sup> 17 of <sup>th</sup> 12 m<sup>o</sup> 1798

The Friends appointed to attend the Meeting from the  
South preparative Meeting are **Mary Tucker** and **Sarah**  
**Wood** those from the North **Patience Potter** and **Ruth Mosher**  
all present the Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly  
Meeting report they all attended **Rhoda Tucker** reports  
she attended the Marriage of **David Sharman [Shearman]** and **Anna**  
**Tucker** and it was orderly Conducted **Bethia Russell** was  
prevented by Indisposition the Matter respecting **Phebe**  
**Howland** is refer'd another month under the Same friends  
Care the Committee appointed to visit **Joseph Russells** family  
report they have found a good degree of Satisfaction in visiting  
them it is therefore the Conclusion of this Meeting to receive  
**Mary Russell** Daughter of **Joseph** into membership with  
us the mens Meeting uniting therewith **Silvia Kerby** hath  
Sent a few lines to this Meeting requesting to become a member  
of our Society also **Nancy Allen** Wife of **Benjamin** hath  
requested to be in membership with us **Jerusha Smith**  
**Mary Tucker Lucy Howland** and **Mary Hart** are appointed  
to visit them on that account and report when ready  
A request from friends in **Smiths Neck** for holding Meetings  
as usual untill the Monthly Meeting in the 3<sup>d</sup> Month was  
read and Granted in this Meeting **Mary Smith Mercy Anthony**  
and **Martha Smith** are appointed to have the Oversight of  
S<sup>d</sup> Meetings and report at the Expiration of the time for  
holding them ---

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1<sup>d</sup> m<sup>o</sup>  
1799

At A Monthly Meeting of Friends held in **Dartmouth**  
th 21<sup>d</sup> of <sup>th</sup> 1<sup>d</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1799 The Friends appointed to attend

this Meeting from the South preparative Meeting are **Mary Tucker** and **Deborah Howland** those from the North **Rhoda Mott** and **Mary Hart** all present Except **Deborah Howland** who was prevented by Indisposition The Committee appointed to visit **Phebe Howland** report they find a good Degree of Satisfaction in visiting her it is therefore the Conclusion of this Meeting to receive her into Membership with us the mens meeting uniting therewith **Elizabeth Gifford** Informs she attended the marriage of **Thomas Mott** and **Rhoda Mosher** and Discover'd Nothing but that it was Conducted orderly Collected in the South preparative Meeting 4/6<sup>d</sup> **Mary Tucker** is appointed to assist in recording the Minuets

*2<sup>d</sup> m<sup>o</sup>* At A Monthly Meeting of Friends held  
1799 in **Dartmouth** <sup>th</sup> 18 of <sup>th</sup> 2<sup>d</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1799

The Friends appointed to attend the Monthly Meeting from the South Preparative Meeting are **Lucy Howland** and **Hannah Gifford** those from the North **Abigail Russell** and **Eliphel Slade** two of the representatives present **Eliphel Slade** was prevented by Sickness **Cook Howland** and his Wife **Rebecca** hath Sent a request to this Meeting for their Children **Oliver** and **Sarah Lucy Howland** and **Sarah Gifford** are appointed to join the men in visiting the family **Samuel Smith** and **Phebe Howland** Declar'd their Intention of Marriage in this Meeting and were refer'd to the mens Meeting **Anna Eddy** and **Ruth Smith** are appointed to make Enquiry into **Phebe Howlands** Clearness respecting Marriage and Conversation and they to report to the Next Monthly Meeting A Certificate from **Acchoakset [Acoaxet]** Monthly Meeting on behalf of **Lidia Anthony** hath been read and Excepted in this Meeting Collected in the South preparative Meeting 4/4<sup>d</sup> in the North Preparative Meeting 5/7<sup>d</sup> 1/2

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*3<sup>d</sup> m<sup>o</sup>* At a M<sup>o</sup> Meeting of friends held in **Dart<sup>m</sup>** 18<sup>th</sup> of 3<sup>d</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1799  
1799 the friends appointed to attend this meeting from the South preparative meeting are **Mary Smith** & **Elizabeth Sanford** those from the North **Rhoda Tucker** and **Jedidah Mosher** the Representatives from the South preparative meeting Not present, those from the North all present  
*the* the Queries & answers with the account have been read  
*represent* approv'd & sign'd in this meeting and are forwarded to the  
*tatives* Quarterly meeting by our friends **Elizabeth Howland** & **Rhoda Tucker** who we appoint as representatives to attend the Same & they to report <sup>^10</sup> the next M<sup>o</sup> meeting

*the Queries  
& Answers*

*P.H.*  
*Clearnes*

the friends appointed to make inquiry into **Phebe Howland** Clearness respecting marriag & conversation report they find nothing to hinder her proceeding  
*settled* the friends appointed to Settle with the Treasury report they  
*with the* have performed that Service & there remains in Stock 6<sup>s</sup>/4<sup>d</sup>  
*treasue* the Committee appointed to visit **Cook Howland** famely having



*=ry*  
**Cook H.**  
*Children*

brought a Satisfactory report, it is the Conclusion of this & the mens meeting to receive their Children **Oliver & Sarah** into membership with us

*minits*  
*recorded*

**Bethiah Russell** Informs the minits are recorded up to the 3<sup>d</sup> Month

*Sylvia k*  
*Nancy*  
*recievd*

the Committee appointed to visit **Sylvia kirby** and **Nancy Allen** having attended to their appointment report they have found a good degree of Satisfaction in visiting them, it is therefore the Conclusion of this meeting to receive them into membership with us the mens meeting Uniteing therewith

*S.Smith*  
*P.Howland*  
*Answer*

**Samuel Smith & Phebe Howland** appeared for their answer & nothing appearing to hinder were allowed to proceed in marriage agreable to the good order Established among friend **Anna Eddy & Mercy Anthony** are appointed to attend their marriag and they report to the next M<sup>o</sup> meeting

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*Collection*  
*meetings*  
*in the Neck*

Collected in the South preparative meeting 3<sup>s</sup>/4<sup>d</sup> 1/2 this meeting unites with the mens in granting friend in **Smiths Neck** the Liberty of holding meetings another month

*4<sup>mo</sup>*  
*1799*

At a M<sup>o</sup> Meeting of friends held in **Dart<sup>mo</sup>** 15<sup>th</sup> 4<sup>mo</sup> 1799 the friends appointed to attend this meeting from the South

*Represen*  
*tatives*  
*Return from*  
*the Quarterly*  
*meeting*  
*Samuel S*  
*Phebe H*  
*married*

preparitive meeting are **Anne Eddy & Hannah Wood** those from the North **Elizabeth Tripp & Meriah Smith** all present **Rhoda Tucker** Informs She attended the Quarterly meeting **Elizabeth Howland** has made a Satisfactory excuse for not attending the Same **Mercy Anthony** reports She attended **Samuell Smiths & Phebe Howland** marriage & Discovered nothing but it was orderly conducted

*Sarah W.*  
*requests*  
*Certificate*

This meeting is informd that **Sarah Wood** wife of **Daniel** requests a removal Certificate **Mary Tucker & Ruth Davis** are appointe<sup>d</sup> to prepare one and bring to the next M<sup>o</sup> meeting if Nothing appears to hinder

*Certificate*  
*Benjamin*  
*Allen*  
*& family*

a removal Certificate for **Benj<sup>n</sup> Allen** his wife **Nancy** with his mother inlaw **Silvia kirby** his Children Namely **Mahola Shirza Merindia Pamela** ^**William Phebe Humphrey & Lydia** was read approvd & Signd in this & mens meting recommending them to the M<sup>o</sup> Meeting at **Saratoga**

*report of*  
*the meetings*  
*in Smiths*  
*& Allens Neck*

the Committee appointed to have the oversite of the meeting in **Smiths neck** report they have attended to their appointment & that their meeting have been held in an orderly manner which to their comfort & Satisfaction also a Simcnbr [sincere] anort [report] from the Committee appointed to have the oversight of the meetings In **Allens Neck** has been read in this meeting

*5<sup>mo</sup>*  
*1799*

At a M<sup>o</sup> Meeting of friends held in **Dart<sup>m</sup>** 21<sup>th</sup> 5<sup>mo</sup> 1799

the friends appointed to Attend this meeting <sup>^</sup>from the South preparative meeting are **Abigail Shepherd** & **Rhoda Gifford** those from the North **Jerusha Smith & Elizabeth Gifford** all present the Committee appointed to visit **Mary Gifford** have brought

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*M. Gifford* A Satisfactory report to this meeting it is therefore the conclusion  
*Received* of this meeting to receive her into membership with us the mens meeting unites there with  
*S. Woods* A removal Certificate for **Sarah Wood** wife of **Daniel** was read  
*certificate* approvd and Signd in this & the mens meeting recommending her to the  
*signd* M<sup>o</sup> meeting at **Ninepartners**  
*adjourn* Collected in the South preparative me<sup>c</sup>ting 7<sup>s</sup>4<sup>d</sup> 1/2 in the North 3<sup>s</sup>/5<sup>d</sup>  
*ment* this meeting adjourns to the 29<sup>th</sup> of this M<sup>o</sup>  
*met* Meet agreable to adjournment 29<sup>th</sup> 5<sup>mo</sup> 1799  
the representatives being [read?] none preasent except **Abigail Shepherd Sarah Wood 2<sup>d</sup>** is appointed Clerk for the year Insuing  
*S. Wood* **Sarah Wood** is appointed assistant **Mary Tucker** is appointed  
*appointd* to receive the papers of the former Clerk & deliver them to the  
*Clerk* preasent  
*6<sup>mo</sup>* At a M<sup>o</sup> meeting of friends held in **Dart<sup>m</sup>** the 17<sup>th</sup> = 6<sup>mo</sup> 0799 [1799]  
*1799* the representatives from the preparative meetings are from the South  
*Adjourn* **Anna Eddy & Mary Smith** not preasent no accompts from the  
*ment* North. this meeting adjourns to the 24<sup>th</sup> of this month  
*met* 24<sup>th</sup> day meet by adjournment the representatives from the preparative  
*represe* meetings are from the South **Anna Eddy & Mary Smith** from the  
*tatives* north **Meriah Smith & Rodah Mott** who being calld none  
*accompts* present except **Anna Eddy**.  
*to the Q* the Queries and Answers to the first Second & twelth with the  
*meeting* accompt hath been read approvd & Signd in this meeting & forwarded  
to the Quarterly meeting by our friends **Deborah Howland Jedidah Mosher & Sarah Mosher** who are appointed as representatives to attend the Same & they to report to the next M<sup>o</sup> meeting,  
*Jane* we have at this time been favoured with the Company of our esteemd  
*Snowden* friend **Jane Snowden** from **Philidelphia** whose Jusful Labours hath been truly acceptable to the honest in hart amongst us  
this <sup>^</sup>meeting is informd **Elizabeth Tabour [Taber]** request a Certificate recommending her to the M<sup>o</sup> meeting at **N Bedford Rhoda Tucker ^& Ruth Mosher** are appointed to prepare one and bring to the next M<sup>o</sup> meeting if nothing

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appears to hinder  
Collected in the South preparitive meeting 2<sup>s</sup>/6<sup>d</sup> 1/2  
*7<sup>mo</sup>* At a M<sup>o</sup> meeting of friends held in **Dart<sup>m</sup>** 15<sup>th</sup> 7<sup>mo</sup> 1799  
*1799* the friends appointed to attend this meeting friends from the preparative meetings those from the South **Lucy Howland & Elizabeth Howland**

*representatives* from the North **Rhoda Tucker & Elizabeth Gifford** all present the friends appointed to attend last M<sup>o</sup> meeting gave Satisfactory reasons why they did not attend.

*friends attended Quarterly meeting* the friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting report they all attended. Extracts from our yearly meetings minits have been read in this meeting by which it appears that there is many differences prevailing amongst us on which accompt there has been many waty remarks, & much Seasonable advice for an Engage=

*Extracts from the yearly meetings minits* =ment for amendment as appears by the extracts the representatives that attended the Quarterly meeting report that it was the advice of that meeting their Should be Some friends appointed to visit the aged & infirmd & Such as are deprived of the priviledg of attending our religious meetings & they to take the Epistles & read them which this meeting unites with & it is referd another month

*advise from the Quarterly meeting* received a Certificate from **N Bedford** M<sup>o</sup> meeting on behalf of **Benja<sup>a</sup> Tabour [Taber] Jun<sup>r</sup>** & wife **Rhoba** with their Children **Hannah Allen James Henry & Shubael** also one for **Lurana Akins** which have been read & excepted.

*B.Taber Certificate himself & famely Elizabeth Tabers Certificate signd* A removal Certificate for **Elizabeth Tabour [Taber]** wife of **Silvanus** with their son **William Hart** has been read approv'd and Sign'd in this & the mens meeting recommending them to the M<sup>o</sup> meeting at **N Bedford Alpha Gifford** formerly **Potter** has kept Company & married out of the unity of friends She being timely precaution but it not having the desir'd affect it is therefore the Conclusion of this the meeting to disown her from haveing any right of membership amongst friends the mens meeting uniting therewith **Elizabeth**

*A.Gifford denied*

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**Gifford** is appointed to inform her of her denial **Jonathan Slocum** and wife **Bethiah** hath Sent a few lines to this meeting requesting friends care for their two Daughters **Rebecca & Bethiah** & they have Likewise requested for themselves, **Sarah Howland Lucy Howland & Deborah Hix** are appointed to visit **Jonathan Slocums** family & they to report when ready

*R.Ruter S. Prisen attended this meeting* our beloved friends **Ruthanna Rutter & Sarah Prison** from **Philidelphia** yearly meeting attended this meeting whose Services to gospel Labours have been truly acceptable to us

*8<sup>mo</sup> 1799* At a monthly meeting of women friends held in **Dart<sup>m</sup> 17<sup>th</sup> = 8<sup>mo</sup> 1799** the representatives from the preparativis meeting are from the south **Mary Smith & Sarah Slocum** from the North **Jerusha Smith Patience Potter** all present

*representatives* we have receiv'd transcripts of Epistles from **London & Philadelphia** with much Seasonable advice therein Contain'd which has been read in this meeting to Satisfaction agreable to the advice of the Quarterly meeting this meeting appoints **Rhoda Tucker Deborah Howland & Bethiah Russell** to take thes Extracts of our yearly meetings minits with the transcripts & visit the aged & Infirm'd & those that are depriv'd from attending our religious meeting & indeavour to read them to such in a Solid waty manner & report when accomplished

*friends appointed to visit the aged*

*S.Smith requests Certificate* **Susanna Smith** hath removed from within the Compass of the meeting & requests our Certificate **Jerusha Smith & Elizabeth Gifford** are appointed to prepare one and bring to the next M<sup>o</sup>ly meeting if Nothing appears to hinder

*Alphia Gifford denied overseers appointed* **Elizabeth Gifford** reports that she hath informed **Alphia Gifford** of her denial

*M.Gifford Certificat* **Elizabeth Gifford & Rhoda Mott** are reappointed to the place of overseers of Disorders for the year Insuing

a Certificate from the monthly meeting at **westport** on behalf of **Mary Gifford** wife of **Joseph** has been read & excepted a Certificate for **William Wood** & wife **Meheteble** with their Son **John** hath been read approved & Signed in this & the mens meeting recommending

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*A.Gifford Marriage certificate meeting adjourned met by adjournment* them to the monthly meeting at **Rhodusland** also a Certificate for **Abraham Gifford** Setting forth his Clearness Respecting marriage has been read approved & Signed in this & the mens meeting directed to the M<sup>o</sup> meeting at **N Bedford**

*S.Susanna Certificate Signd* this meeting adjourns to the 28<sup>th</sup> of this Instant

*g<sup>mo</sup> 1799 representatves* Meet agreeable to adjournment 28<sup>th</sup> 8<sup>mo</sup> 1799 the representatives all present except **Patience Potter**

*accompts to the Quartely meeting* A removal Certificate for **Susanna Smith** hath been read approved & Signed in this & the mens meeting recommending her to the M<sup>o</sup> meeting at **Saratoga**

*E.Hathaway requested* At a M<sup>o</sup> meeting of women friends held in **Dart<sup>m</sup>** 16<sup>th</sup>= 9<sup>mo</sup>- 1799 the representatives from the preparatives meetings are from the South **Bashaba Howland & Abigail Shephard** from the North **Rhoda Tucker & Mehetable Tucker** all present

*M Allens Certificate accepted* the Queries were read & Answers to the first Second & twelvth repaired together with the accompts was read approved & Signed in this meeting & forwarded to the Quarterly meeting by our friends **Rhoda Tucker Desire Howland Abigale Shepherd & Sarah Smith** who we appoint as representatives to attend the Same & they to report to the next M<sup>o</sup> meeting

*P Mosher received* **Elizabeth Hathaway** hath sent a few lines to this meeting requesting to become a member of our Society **Deborah Allen & Mercy Slocum & Jerusha Smith** are appointed to inspect into the State of her mind on that accompt & they to report when ready

A Certificate from **Rhodusland** M<sup>o</sup> meeting on behalf of **Mary Allen** wife of **Obediah** & Likewise one from the M<sup>o</sup> meeting at **westport** on behalf of **Deborah Mosher** wife of **Stephen** have been read and excepted in this & the mens meeting

the friends appointed to visit **Patience Mosher** report they have attended to that Service & found a good Degree of Satisfaction it is therefore the Conclusion of this meeting to receive her acknowledgment the mens meeting uniting therewith

This meeting appoints **Mary Wing & Abigail Shephard [Shepherd]** to the place of overseers of Disorders for the year insuing **Jerusha Smith & Mary Tucker** are reappointed to that Service  
*overseers appointed*

Collected in the South prepartive meeting 2<sup>s</sup>/8<sup>d</sup> 1/2

At a M<sup>o</sup> meeting of women friend held in **Dart<sup>m</sup> 20<sup>th</sup> 10<sup>mo</sup> 1799**  
*representatives*

the representatives from the prepartives meetings are from the South **Mary Wing & Ruth Smith** from the North **Elizabeth Gifford & Hannah Potter** all present

the friends appointed to attended <sup>^</sup>the Quarterly meeting report they all attended except **Sarah Smith & she**  
*actions from the Quarterly meeting SR requested Certificate*

gave satisfactory why she did not attend  
 this meeting is informd that **Sarah Ricketson jun<sup>r</sup>** hath removed to live within the compas of **westport** monthly meting & requests our Certificate **Lucy Howland & Hannah Wood** are appointed to prepare one & bring to the next monthly meeting if nothing appears to hinder  
*EWood requests Certificate*

this meeting is informd that **Elizabeth Wood** is about to remove to live with her father within the compas of **easttown [Easton]** monthly meeting & requests our Certificate. **Mercy Slocum & Sarah Wood 2<sup>d</sup>** are appointed to prepare one & bring to the next monthly meeting if nothing appears to hinder - - this meeting is informd that  
*SWood copy of the minit*

**Sarah Wood** is gone to visit her relations within the compas of **Easttown** monthly meeting & requests a few lines Seting forth her right of membership these are to Certify on her behalf that She is a member in unity and the Clerk is directed to give her a cobby of this minnit  
*EAllen disownd*

this meting is informd by the overseers that **Elizabeth Allen** kept company & married out of the unety of friends it is therefore the conclusion of this Meeting to disone her from beeing any longer a member of our society the mens meeting uniteing their with **Nanna Gifford** is appointed to inform **Elizabeth Allen** of her denial  
*Epistle Nyearly*

an Epistle from **Newyork** yearly meeting has been read in this meeting much to our Satisfaction  
 Collected in the South preparative meting 4<sup>s</sup>/9<sup>d</sup> 1/2

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At a M<sup>o</sup> meeting of women friends held in **Dartm<sup>o</sup> 18<sup>th</sup> 11<sup>mo</sup> 1799**  
*11<sup>mo</sup> 1799*

the friends appointed to attend this meeting from the [South] preparative meeting are **Lucy Howland & Anna Eddy** from the North **Rhoda Tucker & Patience Potter** all present except **Patience Potter** who was prevented by Sickness  
*represen tatives*

*SRicket Certificate Signd* a Certificate for **Sarah Ricketson junr** hath been read approvd & Signd in this meeting recommending her to the monthly at **westport**

*EHathaway received* the friends appointed to visit **Elizabeth Hathaway** report they have attended to that Service and found a degree of satisfaction it is theirfore the conclution of this meeting to receive her into membership the mens meeting uniting theirwith - - - a Certificate for **Elizabeth Wood** hath been read approvd & signd in this & the mens meeting recommending her to the monthly meeting at **Easttown [Easton]**

*EWood Certificate Signd* this meeting is informd that **William Gifford** is about to remove with his wife and famely within the compas of **acoxet [Acoaxet]** monthly meeting & requests our certificate **Rhoda Tucker & jerusha Smith** are appointed to join the men in prepareing one & bring to the next monthly meeting if nothing appears to hinder

*WGiffords Certificate & famely accomths to the Q meeting* the Queries & answers with the accompts have been read approvd & Signd in this meeting & forrowed to the Quarterly meeting by our friends **Mercy Anthony Abigale Russell & Ruth Smith** who are appointed as representatives to attend the Same & they to report to our next monthly meeting

*PMosher requests Certificate* **Nanna Gifford** reports that she hath informd **Elizabeth Allen** of her den'al this meeting is informd that **Patience Mosher** wife of **Robert** has removd to live within the compass of **acoxet** monthly meeting & requests our Certificate **Meriah Smith & Hannah Tucker** are appointed to prepare one & bring to the next monthly meeting if nothing appears to hinder

Collected in the North preparative meeting 3<sup>s</sup>/3<sup>d</sup>

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At a M<sup>o</sup> meeting of women friends held in **Dartm** 16<sup>th</sup> 12<sup>mo</sup> 1799

*12<sup>mo</sup> 1799 represen tatives* the friends appointed to attend this meeting from the South preparative meeting are **Lucy Howland & Edith Eastes [Estes]** from the North **Elizabeth Gifford & Phebe Tucker** all present except **Lucy Howland** who was prevented by Sickness

*account from the Q meting P.Mosher Certificate signd meetings Allens Neck granted* the friends that were appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting report they all attended a Certificate for **Patience Mosher** wife of **Robert** hath been read approvd & Signd in this & the mens meeting recommending her to the M<sup>o</sup> Meeting at **acoxet**

*meeting Smihs Neck granted* Collected in South preparative meeting 7<sup>s</sup>/10<sup>d</sup> ½ the friends in **Allens Neck** requests the favour of holding meetings amongst them as usial which this meeting grants & appoints **Elizabeth Howland Deborah Allen & Rachel Macumber** to Join the men friends in having the oversite of Said meetings & they to report at the expiration of holding them also a similar request from the friends in **Smiths Neck** which this meeting unites with & appoints **Mercy A<sup>n</sup>thony & Mary Smith** to Join the men friend in haveing the Oversite of Said meeting & they to report at the expiration of the time of holding them

*adjourn* this meeting adjourns to the 25<sup>th</sup> of this Month  
*adjourn* Meet agreeable to adjournment 25<sup>th</sup> of 12<sup>mo</sup> 1799  
*ment* the Representatives from the South preparative meeting present  
*met* **Phebe Tucker** was prevented by Sickness

*1<sup>mo</sup>* At a Monthly Meeting of women friends held in **Dart<sup>m</sup>** 20<sup>th</sup> of 1<sup>d mo</sup> 1800  
*1800* the friends appointed to attend this Meeting from the South  
*representatives* preparative meeting are **Sarah Smith & Mary Allen** those  
from the North **Meriah Smith & Abigail Russell** all present  
except **Abigail Russell** who was prevented by Sickness a Certificate  
from **N Bedford M<sup>o</sup>** meeting on behalf of **Rebeca Akins** wife of  
**RAkin** **Thomas** <sup>with her two</sup> Son **Charles & Timothy** has been read & excepted in this  
& sons meeting. **Moses Baker & Rhoda Mott**  
*Certificate* published their intention of Marriage in this meeting & are referred to  
*accepted* the men meeting **Elizabeth Gifford & Meriah Smith** are appointed to  
inspect into **Rhoda Motts** clearness respecting marriage & Conversation

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*William Gifford's Certificate Signed* & they to report to the next M<sup>o</sup> meeting  
a removal Certificate for **William Gifford** with his wife  
**freelove** & their Children namely **Adam Abner Anna Isaac**  
**Patience Elizabeth Cynthia & William** has been read approved  
& Signed in this & the mens meeting recommending them to  
the monthly meeting at **acoxtet [Acoaxet]**

Collected in the South preparative meeting 5<sup>s</sup>/1<sup>d</sup> 1/4  
*2<sup>d</sup>mo* At a monthly meeting of women friends held in **Dar<sup>t</sup>** 17<sup>th</sup> [?]  
*1800* the friends appointed to attend this meeting from the South  
*representatives* preparative meeting are **Mary Smith & Bethiah Russell**  
from the North **Hannah Potte[r] & Sarah Mosher** all present

*E Smith's request* **Elizabeth Smith** wife of **Lory** hath sent a few lines  
to this meeting requesting to ~~become~~ be received into  
membership with us **Abigale Russell & Mary**  
**Tucker** are appointed to visit her & report when ready  
*A Mott requests Certificate* **Adam Mott** requests a Certificate for himself and  
family **Rhoda Tucker & Jerusha Smith** are appointed  
to join the men in preparing one & bring to the  
next monthly meeting if nothing appears to hinder  
**Edeth Estes & Bethiah Russell** are appointed to assist  
the Clerk in correcting & recording the minutes  
the friends appointed to make inquiry into **Rhoda Motts**  
clearness respecting Marriage & Conversation report they  
find nothing to hinder her proceeding

*M Baker & wife Certificate* **Moses Baker & Rhoda Mott** appeared for their  
answer & nothing appearing to hinder were allowed to  
proceed they observing the good order established among  
friends **Abigale Russell & Rhoda Tucker** are appointed  
to have the oversight of their Marriage & make report to

the next monthly meeting  
*P Allen*  
*certificate*  
*Signd*  
a Certificate in behalf of **Philip Allen** hath been read app[?]  
& Sined in this & the mens meeting Recommending him to  
the monthly meeting at **Saratoga**  
Collected in the South preparative meeting 4<sup>s</sup>/8<sup>d</sup> ½

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*3<sup>mo</sup>*  
*1800*  
*represe*  
*ntatives*  
At a M<sup>o</sup> Meeting of women friends held in **Dart<sup>m</sup>** 17<sup>th</sup> of 3<sup>d mo</sup> 1800  
the friends appointed to attend this meeting from the South preparative  
meeting are **Mary Smith & Ruth Davis** from the North **Rhoda**  
**Tucker & Elizabeth Gifford** all preasent  
*R M*  
*married*  
the friends appointed to have the oversite of **Rhoda Motts** Marrage  
report they attended & discovered nothing but that it was orderly Conducted  
*accompts*  
*to the*  
*Quarterly*  
*meeting*  
the Queries & answers with the accompt hath been read approved &  
Signd in this meeting & are forwarded to the Quarterly meeting by our  
friends **Rhoda Tucker Martha Smith & Mary Tucker** who we  
appoint as representatives to attend the Same & they to report to our  
next M<sup>o</sup> Meeting a removal Certificate for **Sarah**  
*Certificates*  
*Sarah Mott*  
*RBaker*  
**Mott** also one for **Rhoda Baker** wife of **Moses** was read approvd  
& Signd in this & the mens meeting Recommending them to the  
M<sup>o</sup> Meeting at **Vasselborough** also a removal Certificate for  
**Adam Mott** with his wife **Rachel** & their Son **John** hath been  
read approvd & Signd in this & the mens meeting Recommending  
*A Motts*  
*& famely*  
*Certificates*  
*Signd*  
them to the M<sup>o</sup> meeting at **Vasselborough**  
this meeting is informed that **Rebeca Sherman** formerly **Little** has  
kept Company & married out of the Unity of friends notwithstanding  
*RSherman*  
*disownd*  
She was timely precautioned, it is therefore the Conclution of this meeting  
to Disownd her from being any Longer a member of our Society the  
men Concurring therewith **Rhoda Gifford** is appoinded to inform her of  
her denial & report when accomplished  
*CBarker*  
*& famelys*  
*Certificat*  
*Signd*  
Collected in the South preparative meeting 4<sup>s</sup>/6<sup>d</sup> in the North 5<sup>s</sup>/6<sup>d</sup>  
a removal Certificate for **Caleb Barker** & his wife **Sarah** with their  
two Sons **William & Job** hath been read approvd & Signd in this &  
the mens mens meeting Recommending them to the M<sup>o</sup> meeting  
at **Eastown [Easton]**

*4<sup>mo</sup>*  
*1800*  
*Repres*  
*entatives*  
At a M<sup>o</sup> Meeting of women friends held in **Dart<sup>m</sup>** 20<sup>th</sup> of 4<sup>mo</sup> 1800  
the friends appoinded to attend this meeting from the South preparative  
meeting are **Rachel Sandford & Mary Wing** from the North  
**Mehetable Tucker & Rhoda Mott** all preasent  
the friends that were appointed to attend Quarterly meeting report

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they all attended  
*visit the*  
*aged*  
**Rhoda Gifford** report She hath informd **Rebeca Sherman**  
of her denial the friends appointed to take the  
Transcripts & Extracts & visit the aged & infirmed report they  
have fullfilled their appointment ---  
*Setled*  
the friends appointed to Settle with our Treasury report they



*treasury* have attended to that Service & there remains in Stock 1<sup>s</sup>/9<sup>d</sup>  
*E Howland* this meeting is informd that **Elizabeth Howland** Daughter of  
*requests* **Benj<sup>m</sup>** has removd to live within the Compass of **NBedford**  
*Certificate* M<sup>o</sup> Meeting & requests our Certificate **Mary Smith** &  
**Mercy Anthony** are appointed to prepair one & bring to the  
next M<sup>o</sup> meeting if Nothing appears to hinder

*meetings* the friends that had the Care of the meetings in **Allens Neck**  
*ended in* report they have all been attended by a Considerable Number  
*the Necks* & in a Good degree orderly allso a Simerlar report from the  
friends in **Smiths Neck**

At a Monthly Meet<sup>g</sup> of women friends held in  
*5<sup>mo</sup> 1800* **Dart<sup>mo</sup> 19<sup>th</sup> 5<sup>mo</sup> 1800**  
*represen* the friends appointed to attend this Meet<sup>g</sup> from the  
*tatives* South preparetive Meet<sup>g</sup> are **Abigail Shehhard [Shepherd]** &  
**Anna Eddy** from the North **Rhoda Tucker** & **Patience**  
**Potter** all present  
*minits* the friends appointed to assist the Clerk in Correcting &  
*recorded* Recording the minits report they are recorded up to the 4<sup>mo</sup>  
Collected in the South preparetive meeting 9/4<sup>d</sup> 1/2  
*EH* A Certificate for **Elizabeth Howland** Daughter of **Benj<sup>m</sup>**  
*Certificate* was read approv'd & Signd in this & the mens meeting  
*Signd* recommending her to the Monthly meeting **NBedford**  
this meeting is informed that **Humphrey Russell** & wife

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*HRussell* **Bethiah** is about to send their tow Daughters **Sarah** & **Rebecah**  
*two Daughters* to School within the Compass of **Ninepartner** monthly meet<sup>g</sup>  
*Certificate* & requests a few lines seting forth their rite of membership  
these may Certify that they are members of this meeting &  
the Clerk is therefore Directed to give them a Copsy of this minit

At a Monthly Meet<sup>g</sup> of women friends held in  
*6<sup>mo</sup> 1800* **Dart<sup>mo</sup> the 16<sup>th</sup> 6<sup>mo</sup> 1800**  
*the represe* the friends appointed to attend this Meet<sup>g</sup> from the South  
*ntatives* preparetive meeting are **Mary Smith** & **Elizeb<sup>e</sup>th Howland**  
*Called* from the North **Elizebeth Tripp** & **Phebe Tucker**. **Mary**  
**Smith** & **Elizebeth Tripp** not present.  
*Sarah* **Sarah Wood** is appointed Clerk for the year Insueing.  
*Wood* this meeting adjourns to the 23<sup>th</sup> of this month.  
*Clerk* Mett agreable to adjournment the 23<sup>th</sup> of 6<sup>mo</sup>  
*met by* the representatives being Called all present,  
*adjourn* We have at this time been favoured with the Company of  
*ment* our Belov,d friends **Ruth Hallock** & her Companion **Sarah**  
*R H* **Hull** from **Ninepartners** whose Gospel Labours & Comp<sup>a</sup>ny  
*S H* hath been truly exceptable to us, our friends produced Satisfactory  
Certificates  
the Queries & answers to the usial three with the acompt  
*Acomp* have been read approv,d & Sign,d in this meeting & forwarded  
*ts to the* to the Quarterly meeting by our friends **Desire Howland Rhoda**  
*Quarterly* **Tucker** & **Bethia Russell** whome we appoint as  
*meeting*

Representatives to attend the Same & they to report to our next monthly meeting - - -

At a Monthly Meeting of women friend held in **Dartmouth** 21<sup>th</sup> 7<sup>mo</sup> 1800  
the friends appointed to attend this meeting from the South preparative meeting are **Bethia Russell & Abigail Shepherd**

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*accompts from th Quartely* From the North **Jerusha Smith & Mariah Smith** all pres[ent] the friend appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting report they all attended

At a Monthly Meeting of women friends held in **Dartmouth** 18<sup>th</sup> 8<sup>mo</sup> 1800

*the repres =entatives Called* the friends appointed to attend this meeting from the South preparative meeting are **Elizebeth Howland & Anna Eddy** from the North **Abigail Russell & Hannah Potter** all present except **Abigail Russell**

*EHowland to join the former Comittee* this meeting appoints **Elizebeth Howland** to Join the former Committe in visiting of **Jonathan Slocum** family we have receiv.d extracts from our Yearly meeting minits with Transcripts from **Philidelphia & N.York** in which is Containd much Seasonable advice all which have been read in this meeting to Satisfaction.

*Sarah Woods certi -ficate returned* **Sarah Wood** hath return.d a Coppy of a minit with an Indorsement from the monthly meeting at **Eastown [Easton]** expressing of friends unity with her while residing with them which hath been read & excepted -----

*the represent =atives Called* At a Monthly Meet<sup>g</sup> of women friends held in **Dart<sup>mo</sup>** the 15<sup>th</sup> 9<sup>mo</sup> 1800  
the friends appointed to attend this Meet<sup>g</sup> from the South Preparative are **Mary Smith & Deborah Howland** from the North **Rhoda Tucker & Jedidah Mosher** all preasent except **Deborah Howland** who was prevented by Indispotion of body

*E Smith Received* the friends appointed to visit **Elizebeth Smith** wife of **Lory** report they have had Several Oppertunities with her & found a degree of Satisfaction & it is therefore the Conclusion of this meeting to receive her into membership with us the mens meet<sup>g</sup> uniteing therewith

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*accounts to the Quartely* The Queries & answers to the usial three with the account hath been read approvd & Signd in this meeting & are forwarded to the Quarterly meeting by our friends **Sarah Howland & Meheteble Slocum** who we appoint as representatives to

*Sarah Ricketson returned* attend the Same & they to report to our next monthly meet<sup>g</sup>  
**Sarah Ricketson** hath returnd her Certificate with an Indorse  
=ment from **acoxet [Acoaxet]** monthly meeting expressive of friends  
unity with her returning which this meeting excepts

*I Almy H Tucker publishd* **Isaac Almy & Hannah Tucker** Published their Intention  
of Marriage before this meeting they are referd to the  
mens meeting **Meriah Smith & Elizebeth Tripp** are  
appointed to make inquiry into **Hannah Tuckers** Clearness  
respecting Marriage & Conversation & make report to  
next monthly meeting

*representatives* At a Monthly Meeting of women friends held in **Dartmouth**  
the 20<sup>th</sup> 10<sup>mo</sup> 1800  
the friends appointed to attend this meeting from the South  
preparative meeting are **Elizebeth Howland & Desire**  
**Howland** from the North **Elizebeth Gifford & Ruth Mosher**  
all preasent

*accompts from the Quartely* the friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting  
report they all attended  
the friends appointed to inspect into **Hannah Tuckers**  
Clearness respecting Marriage report they find nothing to

*I Almy H Tucker Answer* hinder her proceeding **Isaac Almy & Hannah Tucker**  
appear for answer nothing appearing to hinder are referd  
to the mens meeting **Jerusha Smith & Phebe Tucker**  
are appointed to have the oversite of Said Marriage  
& they to report to next monthly meeting  
At a Monthly Meeting of women friends held in **Dartmouth**  
the 17<sup>th</sup> 11<sup>mo</sup> 1800  
the friends appointed to attend this meeting from the South

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*I Almy H Tucker Married* Preparative are **Ruth Davis & Mehetable Slocum** from  
the North **Rhoda Tucker & Phebe Tucker** all present  
the friends appointed to attend the Marriage of **Isaac**  
**Almy & Hannah Tucker** report they attended & discovered  
nothing but that it was orderly Conducted

*accompts to the Quartely* the Queries & answers to the usual three with the account  
hath been read approv'd & Sign'd in this meeting & forwarded  
to the Quarterly meeting by our friends **Rhoda Tucker &**  
**Mary Smith** who we appoint <sup>as representatives</sup> to attend the Same & they  
to report to our next monthly meeting

*representatives* Collected in the South preparative meeting 3/10<sup>d</sup>  
At a Monthly Meeting of women friends held in **Dart<sup>mo</sup>**  
the 15<sup>th</sup> 12<sup>mo</sup> 1800  
the friends appointed to attend this meeting from the South  
preparative meeting are **Bethiah Russell & Abigail**

**Howland** from the North **Rhoda Mott & Elizabeth Gifford**  
 all present except **Bethiah Russell** & She Sent  
 Satisfactory reasons why She did not attend  
 the friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting  
 reported they attended the Same  
 Collected in the North preparative meeting 7/2<sup>d</sup> 1/2  
 this meeting appoints **Sarah Howland Elizabeth Gifford**  
**Rhoda Mott Mary Wing & Mary Tucker** to the  
 place of overseers of disorders for the year ensuing  
 the friends in **Smiths Neck** requests the favour of holding  
 meetings in their Neighbourhood the ensuing four months  
 to begin at **Mary Smiths** next first day which this  
 meeting grants & appoints **Mary Smiths & Sarah**  
**Howland** to Join the men friends in having the  
 oversight of Said meetings & they to report at the  
 expiration of holding them

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Likewise a similar request from the friends in **allins**  
**neck** which request this meeting grants & appoints **Sarah**  
**Slocum & Mehetable Slocum** to Join the men friends in  
 having the oversight of Said meetings & they to make  
 report at the expiration of the time of holding Said meeting  
**Joseph Howland & Deborah Howland** published their  
 intentions of Marriage in this meeting & are referred to the  
 mens meeting **Elizabeth Hathaway & Mary Wing** are  
 appointed to inspect into **Deborah Howlands** Clearness  
 respecting Marriage & Conversation & they to report  
 to next monthly meeting

At a Monthly Meeting of women friends held in **Dartmouth**  
 the 19<sup>th</sup> 1<sup>mo</sup> 1801  
 the friends appointed to attend this meeting from the South  
 preparative meeting are **Mary Tucker & Deborah**  
**Howland** from the North **Meriah Smith & Jerusha**  
**Smith** all present except **Mary Tucker**

**Hannah Almy** wife of **Isaac Almy** requests a Certificate  
 recommending her to **Rhode Island** monthly meeting  
**Rhoda Tucker & Meriah Smith** are appointed to prepare  
 one & bring to the next monthly meeting if nothing  
 appears to hinder

**Phebe Nicolson** hath Sent an acknowledgment to  
 this meeting Condemning her misconduct **Mercy**  
**Slocum Mary Smith & Ruth Davis** are appointed  
 to write to the monthly meeting at **falmouth**  
 desiring friends there to inspect into the Sincerity  
 of her acknowledgment & they to Inform us when ready  
 this meeting appoints **Deborah Howland Jedidah Mosher**  
**Rachel Sandford & Marcy Anthony** Overseers of Disorders  
 for the Year ensuing

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*H. Deborah  
J Howland  
D Howland  
answer* The friends appointed to Inspect into **Deborah Howland** Clearness respect Marriage report they find nothing to hinder ther proceeding **Joseph Howland & Deborah Howland** appear for their answer nothing appearing to hinder are referd to the mens meeting **Mercy Slocum & Mary Wing** are appointed to have the Oversight of Said Marriage & they to report to the next monthly Meeting

*representatives  
Called* At a Monthly Meeting of women friends held in **Dartmouth** the 2<sup>mo</sup> 16<sup>th</sup> 1801 the friends appointed to attend this meeting for are **Mercy Shephard & Patience Shephard** from the North preparative meeting **Sarah Mosher & Hannah Tucker** all present

*E Potter  
requested  
Certificate* **Easter Potter** requests a Certificate recommending her to the monthly meeting at **acoaxet Amny Eddy & Hannah Tucker** are appointed to prepare one & bring to the next monthly meeting if nothing appears to hinder

*H Almy  
Certificate  
Signed* a Certificate for **Hannah Almy** <sup>wife of Isaac Almy</sup> Hath been read approv'd & Signd in this & the mens meeting recommending her to the monthly meeting at **Rhode Island**

*R Davis  
requests  
Certificate* **Richard Davis & Wife Ruth** is about to remove with the Compass of **N Bedford** monthly meeting & requests our Certificate **Lucy Howland & Mercy Anthony** are appointed to Join the men friends in prepareing one & bring to next monthly meeting if nothing appears to hinder

At a Monthly Meeting of women friends held in **Dart<sup>m</sup>** the 16<sup>th</sup> 3<sup>mo</sup> 1801

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*representatives* The friend appointed to attend this meeting from the South preparative meeting are **Mary Smith & Lucy Howland** from the North **Rhoda Tucker & Patience Potter** all presant

*J H  
D H  
married* the friend that are appointed to have the Oversight of **Joseph Howland & Deborah Howland** Marriage report they attended & Discovered Nothing but that it was orderly Conducted

*accompts  
to the  
Quartly* the Queries & Answers with the account hath been read approv'd & Signd in this meeting & forwarded to the Quarterly meeting by our friends **Lucy Howland &**

**Rhoda Tucker** who we appoint as representatives to attend the Same & they to report to the next monthly meeting this meeting is informd that **Rufus Gifford**'d being about to remove within the Limmits of **Easton** monthly meeting requests our Certificate for himself & family **Jedidah Mosher & Patience Potter** are appointed to Join the men friends in preparing one & bring to the next monthly meetg if nothing appears to hinder

*R D & wife certificate Signd* a removal Certificate for **Richard Davis** & wife hath been read approvd & Signd in this & the mens meeting recommending them to **N Bedford** monthly meeting Likewise **Easter Potters** Certificate hath been read approvd & Signd in this & the mens meeting recomounding her to the monthly meeting at **acoaxet**

*receivd S Souls Certificate* a Certificate from the monthly meeting at **acoaxet** in beha<sup>l</sup>f of **Silvia Soul [Soule]** Hath been read & Excepted in this & the mens meeting

At a Monthly Meeting of women friends held in **Dartmouth** the 20<sup>th</sup> 4<sup>mo</sup> 1801  
the friends appointed to attend this meeting from the South

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*represe natives* Preparitive meeting are **Elizabeth Howland & Mary Wing** from the North **Rhoda Mott & Jerusha Smith** all present

*accompts for Q meeting* the friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting report that they all attended

*W Howland requests Certificate* this meeting is inform<sup>d</sup> that **William Howland** is about to remove within the Compass of **N Bedford [New Bedford]** monthly meeting & requests our Certificate for himself & family **Mercy Slocum & Sarah Wood 2<sup>d</sup>** is appoint<sup>e</sup>d to Join the men friends in preparing one & bring to the next monthly meeting if nothing appears to hinder

*S Mosher & Wife requ Children* **Stephen Mosher** & wife hath Sent a few lines to this meeting requesting friends Care for their two Daughters **Cynthia & Hannah Rachel Sandford [Sanford] & Mary Tucker** are appointed to visit ~~them~~ **Stephen Mosher's** family on account of their request & they to make report when ready

*R Gifford & Wife C Signd* A Certificate for **Rufus Gifford** & wife **Ruth** & their Son **Isaac** hath been read approvd & Signd in this & the mens meeting recommending them to **Easton** monthly meeting

*meetings ended in the Necks* the Committee appointed to have the Care of the meetings ~~in~~ held on **Smiths Neck** the Season past report that it has been generally attended by the greatest part of its members & in a good Degree orderly

& Likewise the Committee to have the Care of the meetings in **allens Neck** report that they have all been attended by the most part of friends & we think in a good Degree orderly  
**Mercy Slocum** is appointed to assist the Clerk

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*M Mor[ton]*  
*signd*  
*overseer*  
*of the poor*  
In Correcting & recording the minnits  
a Certificate for **Mary Morton** wife of **Gorge Morton** hath been read approvd & Signd in this & the mens meeting recommending her to **N Bedford [New Bedford]** monthly meeting this meeting appoints **Sarah Slocum** to the place of an Overseer of the poor  
Collected in the South preparitive meeting 7/5<sup>d</sup> 1/2

At a Monthly Meeting of women friends held in **Dartmouth** 18<sup>th</sup> - 5<sup>mo</sup> 1801  
the friends appointed to attend the monthly me<sup>e</sup>ting from the South preparitive meeting **Lucy Howland** & **Mary Smith 2<sup>d</sup>** from the North **Elizabeth Gifford** and **Jedidah Mosher** all present except **Mary [Smith? erased]**  
**Smith**

*Represe*  
*ntatives*  
**Bethiah Russell** is appointed to Join the former Committee in visiting of **Stephen Mosher**

*the minits*  
*recorded*  
**Mercy Slocum** Informd this meeting the minits are Recorded up to the 4<sup>mo</sup> 1801

*Settled with*  
*Treasury*  
the audits recoreded & Settled with the Treasurer & there remains in Stock 1<sup>s</sup>/4<sup>d</sup>  
Collected in the South preparitive meeting 3<sup>s</sup>/6<sup>d</sup> 1/2 in the North 2<sup>s</sup>/4<sup>d</sup>

*Overseers*  
*of poor*  
**Sarah Wood** & **Lucy Howland** are appointed overseers of the poor for the year Insuing

*W Howland*  
*& family*  
*Signd*  
A Certificate for **William Howland** & wife **Abigale** With their Children **Sar<sup>a</sup>h Elizabeth Mehetable** has been read approved & Signd in this & the mens meeting recommending them to the monthly meeting at **N Bedford [New Bedford]**

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It is the Conclution of this & the mens meeting that the monthly meeting in the Sixth month Should be held on the 2<sup>d</sup> Second day in that month

*represen*  
*tatives*  
At a monthly meeting of women friends held in **Dartm[outh]** 6<sup>th</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> 1801 the friends appointed to attend this meet[ing] from the South preparitive meeting **Lucy Howland** **Sarah Wood** from the North **Elizabeth Tripp** & **Jedida[h]**

**Mosher** all present  
*Clerk absent* the Clerk of this meeting being absent **Bethiah Russell** is appointed Clerk of for the Day  
*accounts to Q meeting* the Queries & answers to the Usil three allso the accompt hath been read approvd & Signd in this this [*sic*] meeting & forwarded to the Quarterly meeting by our friend **Jedidah Mosher Sarah Mosher & Barshaba Howland** who we appoint as representatives to attend the Same & they to report to our next monthly meeting  
*oversers of the poor* **Ruth Mosher & Hannah Tucker** are appointed overseers of the poor for the year Insuing the Committee appoinde to visit **Stephen Mosher's** family haveing attended to that appointment Brought a Satisfactory report to this meeting with which friends after deliberate Consideration thereon unites with & receives their Daughters **Cynthia & Hannah** into membership with us haveing the Concurrence of the mens meeting

*represen tatives* At a monthly meeting of women friends held in **Dartmouth** 20<sup>th</sup> 7<sup>mo</sup> 1801 the friends appointed to attend this meeting from the South preparative meeting **Lucy Howland &**

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*Accounts from Q meeting* **Rachel Sandford [Sanford]** from the North **Rhoda Mott & Hannah Potter** all present the friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting report they all attended this meeting is informd that **Sarah Ricketson** has removd to live within the Compass of **New Bedford** monthly meeting & requests our Certificate for herself & Daughters **Anna Eddy & Elizebeth Hathaway** are appointed to prepar a Certificates for them & bring to the next monthly meeting if nothing appears to hinder  
*S Ricket [son &] famely Certificate*

*Extracts Yearly m<sup>e</sup> minits* Extracts from our yearly meeting minits have been read in this meeting containing wa<sup>l</sup>ty [weighty] remarks on the many Deficences that appears in Several of the answers also much council & incouragement for friends to be renewedly ingaged to an ammendment therein

*represen tativet* At a monthly meeting of women friends held in **Dartmouth** 17<sup>th</sup> of 8<sup>mo</sup> 1801 the friends appointed to attend this meeting from the South preparative meeting **Lucy Howland & Elizebeth Howland** from the North **Meheteble Tucker & Ruth Mosher** **Elizebeth Howland & Meheteble Tucker** not present ~~who~~ was prevented by Sickness  
*appointed Clerk* **Sarah Wood** is reappointed Clerk for the year Insuing Tran[s]cripts of Epistles from **London & Philidelphia [Philadelphia]** have been



read in ~~me~~ this meeting to Satisfaction  
Collected in the South preparative meeting 4<sup>s</sup>/11<sup>d</sup>  
*R Howl  
& famely  
received* A Certificate from N **Bedford** [**New Bedford**] monthly meeting on behalf  
of **Resolved Howland** & wife **Patience** with their two  
Children [?] **Nathaniel** & **Phillip** was read & Excepted  
in this meeting

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At a monthly meeting of women friends held in  
**Dartmouth** the 21<sup>th</sup> - 9<sup>mo</sup> 1801  
the friends appointed <sup>^</sup>attend to this meeting from the South  
preparative meeting **Mary Smith** & **Anna Eddy**  
from the North **Rhoda Tucker** & **Jerusha Smith**  
all present  
*Accounts  
to the  
Q meeting* the Queries & answers to the Usial three with the  
accompt has been read approvd & Signd in this meeting  
forwarded to the Quarterly meeting by our friends  
**Mary Tucker** & **Rhoda Tucker** who are appointed  
as representatives to attend the Same & they to report  
to our next monthly meeting  
*Z G  
R S  
publishd* **Zebedee Gifford** & **Rachel Slocum** published their  
intention of marriage in this meeting & are refird  
to the mens **Elizebeth Howland** & **Mercy Slocum**  
are appointed to inspect into **Rachel Slocum** Clearness  
respecting marriage and they to report to our next  
monthly meeting  
*E S  
E P  
A M  
R R  
publishd* **Edward Slaid** [**Slade**] & **Elizebeth Potter Abial Mosher** &  
**Ruth Rider** published their intention of marriage  
in this meeting & are refird to the mens **Jerusha**  
**Smith** & **Rhoda Tucker** are appointed to inspect  
into **Elizebeth Potter** & **Ruth Rider** Clearness  
respecting marriage, & they to report to our next  
monthly meeting  
*E S  
acknowl  
edgment* **Elizaan Sheldon** Sent a few lines to this meeting  
Condemning her misconduct **Rhoda Tucker** & **Hannah Potter**  
are appointed to rite A few lines & bring to this ~~meeting~~  
next monthly meeting in order to send to **Lomans**  
monthly meeting

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At a Monthly meeting of women friends held  
in **Dartmouth** 19<sup>th</sup> 10<sup>mo</sup> 1801  
the friends appointed to attend this meeting from  
the South preparative **Mercy Anthony** & **Lucy**  
**Howland** from the North **Hannah** & **Elizebeth Gifford**  
all present  
*from the* the friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting

*Q meeting* report they all attended  
the friends appointed to Inspect into **Rachel Slocum** Clearness respecting marriage report they find nothing to her proceeding Likewise the friends appointed to Inspect into **Elizebeth Potters & Ruth Riders** Clearness respecting marriage report that nothing appears to hinder their proceeding.

*E Sheldon* a paper hath been Signd in this meeting to Send forward to **Leomans** monthly meeting requesting friends there to inspect into the Sencerity of **Lizaan Sheldon** request & they to Inform us accordingly

*Z G*  
*R S*  
*answer* **Zebedee Gifford & Rachel Slocum** appeared for their answer nothing appearing to hinder were refird to the mens meeting **Lucy Howland & Elizebeth Howland** are appointed to have the oversight of Said marriage & they to report to our next monthly meeting

*E S*  
*E P*  
*A M*  
*R R*  
*answer* **Edward Slaid [Slade] & Elizebeth Potter Abial Mosher & Ruth Rider** appeared for their answer nothing appearing to hinder were refird to the mens meeting **Rhoda Tucker & Elizebeth Gifford & Ruth Tucker** are appointed to have the oversight of Said marri<sup>a</sup>ges & they to report to our next monthly meeting

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*D How*  
*certificate* **Deborah Howland** wife of **Joseph Howland** requests our Certificate recommend her to **N Bedford [New Bedford]** monthly **Mercy Slocum & Sarah Wood** are appointed to prepare one & bring to next monthly meeting if nothing appears to hinder

**Bethiah Russell & Mary Tucker** are appointed to Draw a Denial against **Mary Ricketson &** bring to next monthly meeting  
*S Ricket=*  
*=son &*  
*Daughters*  
*certificate* a Certificate for **Sarah Ricketson** widow & daughter[s] **Sarah Phebe & Abigail** hath been read approvd & Signd in this & the mens meeting recommending them to the monthly meeting at **N Bedford [New Bedford]**

At a monthly meeting of women friends held in **Dartmouth** 16<sup>th</sup> of 11<sup>mo</sup> 1801  
the friends appointed to attend this meeting from the South prepartive meeting are **Rachel Sandford [Sanford] & Patience Sheaphard [Shepherd]** from the North **Rhoda Tucker & Jedidah Mosher** all presant the friends to have the oversight of the marriage of **Zebedee Gifford & Rachel Slocum** report they attended discovered Nothing but it was orderly

*Z G*  
*R S*  
*married*

Conducted  
*ES* the friends to have the oversight of the marriages  
*EP* of **Edward Slaid [Slade] & Elizebeth Potter Abial Mosher**  
*AM* & **Ruth Rider** report they was Conducted in an  
*RR* orderly manner  
*married*  
*accounts* the Queries & answers to the Usial three with the  
*to the* accompt have been read approvd & Signd in this  
*Q meeting* meeting & forwarded to Quarterly meeting by our

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friends **Deborah Howland Sarah Mosher Sarah Wood 2<sup>d</sup>**  
who we appoined as representatives to attend the Same  
& they to report our next monthly meeting

**Rachel Case** is removd to live within the Compass  
of **N. Bedford [New Bedford]** monthly meeting & requests our Certificate  
**Deborah Howland & Deborah Allen** are appointed  
to prepair one & bring to the next monthly meeting  
if nothing appears to hinder

*ZH* **Zilphia Handy** formerly **Potter** hath married with a  
*disownd* member out of the order of friend which this meeting  
takes under Consideration & thinks it best to disown  
her from being any longer a member of our Society  
**Jedidah Mosher** is appointed to inform her of her  
Denial & report to our next monthly meeting

*DH* A Certificate for **Deborah Howland** wife of **Joseph**  
*Certificate* was read approvd & Signd in this & the mens meeting  
recommending to monthly meeting **N Bedford [New Bedford]**  
Transcript of apistle from **N york [New York]** yearly meeting  
was read in this meeting to Satisfaction  
a Testimony of Denial against **Mary Ricketson**  
was read approvd & Signd in this & the mens meeting  
which is to be read publickly between this & the  
next monthly meeting

At a monthly meeting of women friend held  
in **Dartmouth 21<sup>th</sup> 12<sup>mo</sup> 1801**  
the friends appointed to attend this meeting from  
the South preparitive meeting are **Mary Smith**  
& **Ruth Smith** from the north **Jerusha Smith**  
& **Rhoda Tucker** all present  
the friend appointed to attend the Quarterly

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meeting Report that they all attended  
**Jedidah Mosher** report that she informd **Zilphia**  
**Handy** of her Denial

*Mary  
Ricketson  
denied*

a Denial against **Mary Ricketson [Ricketson]** wife of **Joseph** has been read & is as follows  
**Mary Ricketson [Ricketson]** haveing been a member of our religious Society but through unwatchfullness hath So far deviated from the paths of virtue as to became a Mother of a Child in an unmarried state & not appearing in a disposition of mind to make friend Satisfaction for the clearing of truth & our Christian testamony we disown her from of a right of membership with us, untill through a Scenec [Sense] of her transgression She be favoured to return which that She may is our desire

Given forth at our m<sup>o</sup> meeting held in **Dartmouth**  
16<sup>th</sup> of 11<sup>mo</sup> 1801

Signd By **James Tucker**  
**Sarah Wood 2<sup>d</sup>** Clerk

*R Case  
certificate*

A Certificate for **Rachel Case** widow was read approvd & signd in this & the mens meeting recommen<sup>d</sup> ing her to the M<sup>o</sup> Meeting at **N Bedford [New Bedford]**

*R & B S  
requests*

**Rebeca & Bethiah Slocum** Sent a few Lines to this[?] meeting Requesting to bea receivd into membership with friends **Mary Smith Elizebeth Hathaway & Mary Wing** are appointed to Visit them on accompt of theirs request & they to report when ready

*L Sand  
ford Certifi*

this meeting is informd that **Lydia Sandford [Sanford]** has removed to live within the Compass of **N Bedford [New Bedford]** m<sup>o</sup> meeting & requests our Certificate **Bethia Russell & Mercy Shepherd** are appointed to prepar one &

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Bring to next m<sup>o</sup> meeting if nothing appears to hinder The friends in **Allens neck** requests the favour of holding meetings in their neighbourhood as usial the Insuing four months which this meeting grants **Elizabeth Howland & Lillis Gifford** are appointed to have the oversight of Said meeting & they to report when ended Likewise Simirler request from the friends in **Smiths neck** which requests this meeting grants & appoints **Mercy Anthony Mary Smith & Ruth Smith** to have the care of S<sup>d</sup> meeting & they to report at the expiration of the time of holding them

This meeting appoints **Patience Sheppard [Shepherd]** Treasurer for the year insuing  
Collected in the South preparative meeting 2<sup>s</sup>/4<sup>d</sup>

At a monthly meeting of women friends held in **Dartmouth** 18<sup>th</sup> of 1<sup>mo</sup> 1802 the friends appointed to attend this meeting from the South preparative are **Mary Tucker & Lucy Howland** from the North **Jedidah Mosher & Hannah Tucker**

all present  
*L Sandford*  
*C Signd* a Certificate for **Lydia Sandford [Sanford]** wife of **Peleg**  
was read approvd & Signd in this & the mens meeting  
recommending her to the M<sup>o</sup> Meeting at **N Bedford [New Bedford]**  
a Certificate from **acoxet [Acoaxet]** m<sup>o</sup> meeting on behalf of  
*P White*  
*& famely*  
*certificate*  
*received* **Peleg White & wife Unice & their Son Abner** was  
read & excepted in this & the mens meeting  
Collected in the South preparetive meeting 4<sup>s</sup>/10<sup>d</sup>

At a monthly meting of women friends held in  
**Dartmouth** the 15<sup>th</sup> of 2<sup>d</sup> mo 1802  
the friends appointed to attend this meeting from  
the South preparetive meeting **Bethiah Russel [Russell]**

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*R & B Slo*  
*received* & **Mercy Shepherd** from the North **Patience Potter**  
& **Hannah Potter** all present  
the friends appointed to inspect into the Sincerity  
of **Rebeca & Bethiah Slocums** request report they  
found a good degree of Satisfaction it is therefore  
the Conclusion of this & the mens meeting to  
receive them into membership with us  
this meeting is informd that **Mary Allen** has remove<sup>d</sup>  
to live within the Compas of **Rhodeisland [Rhode Island]** monthly  
meeting & requests our Certificate **Elizabeth**  
**Hathaway & Mary Wing** are appointed to prepare  
one & bring to the next monthly meeting if  
nothing appears to hinder  
**Susanna Rider Barnabas Mosher jun<sup>r</sup>** his  
wife & famely **Abial Mosher** & wife is about  
to remove within the Compas of **Hudson M<sup>o</sup> meeti[ng]**  
& requests our Certificates **Rhoda Tucker jerusha**  
**Smith & Patience Potter** are appointed to join the  
men in prepareing Certificates for them & bring  
to the next M<sup>o</sup> meeting if nothing appears to hinder  
Collected in the North preparetive meeting 4<sup>s</sup>/6<sup>d</sup>

At a monthly meeting of women friends held in  
**Dartmouth** 3<sup>d</sup> mo 1802  
the friends appointed to attend this meeting from  
the South preparetive meeting **Rachel Sandford [Sanford]** &  
**Mary Wing** from the North **Rhoda Tucker &**  
**Sarah Mosher** all present  
the Queries and answers with the accompt hath  
been read approved & signd in & forwarded to the

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Quarterly m<sup>ee</sup> by our friends **Rhoda Tucker**

& **Elizabeth Howland** which are appointed as representatives to attend the Same & they to report to our next monthly meeting

*A Akin  
C received*

a Certificate from **N Bedford [New Bedford]** m<sup>o</sup> meeting on behalf of **Abigale Akin** hath been read & excepted in this meeting

*B Mosher  
& famely  
Certificate*

removal Certificates for **Barnabas Mosher jun<sup>r</sup>** & wife **Ruth** with their Children **William Abraham Asa Barnabas & Sarah** likewise **Abial Mosher & Ruth** his wife hath been read approved & Sined & Directed to **Hudson** m<sup>o</sup> meeting the Clerk of this meeting beeing absent **Bethiah Russell** is appointed Clerk for the day

At a m<sup>o</sup> meeting of women friends held in **Dartmouth** 19<sup>th</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1802 the friends appointed to attend this meeting from the south preparative meeting **Mary Tucker & Deborah Howland** from the North **Ruth Mosher & Jedidah Mosher** all present

*E Kemp  
ton acknow  
ledgmet*

The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly m<sup>ee</sup> report they all attended **Elizabeth Kempton** sent a few lines to this meeting Condemning her misconduct **Bethiah Russell & Anna Eddy** are appointed to inspect into the Sincerity of her request & they to report when ready

*M Cornell  
C received*

a Certificate from **acoaxet** mo<sup>n</sup> meeting on behalf of **Mary Cornel [Cornell]** wife of **Peleg** was read & excepted in this & the mens meeting

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*S Rider  
Certificate  
Signd*

Certificate for **Susanna Rider** was read approved & Sined in this & the mens meeting recommending her to the m<sup>o</sup> meeting at **Hudson** the Committe to have the oversite of the meetings in **Allens Neck** report they have attended theirto & did not discover but that thy were kept & attended in a good degree orderly likewise a Simelar report from the committee in **Smiths Neck**

*G Shepherd  
A Akin  
published*

**Gideon Shepherd & Abigale Akin** Published their intention of marriage of in this meeting & were referd to the mens meting **Mary Smith & Bethiah Russell** are appointed to inspect into **Abigale Akin** clearness respecting marriag & they to report at our next monthly meeting

At a monthly meeting of women friend held in  
**Dartmouth** 18<sup>th</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> mo 1802  
the friends appointed to attend this meeting from  
the South preparative meeting **Mercy Shepherd &  
Bethiah Russell** from the North **Hannah Potter  
& Elizabeth Gifford** all present except one for whom  
absenc Satisfactory reason was given  
the Clerk of this meeting beeing absent **Bethiah  
Russell** is appointed Cerk for the day

*G Shepherd  
A Akin  
answer* **Gideon Shipherd [Shepherd] & Abigale Akin** appeared for  
their answer nothing appearing to hinder were allowed  
to proceed  
**Mary Smith & Bethiah Russell** are appointed

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to attend the marriage of **Giddion [Gideon] Shepherd &  
Abbigale [Abigale]** & they to report to our next monthly  
meeting

*E Shepherd  
accepted* a Certificate from **Easton** m<sup>o</sup> meeting on  
behalf of **Elizabeth Shepherd** wife of **Brice** was  
ecepted in this & the mens meeting  
it is the Conclusion of the mens meeting they  
haveing the concurance of this that the Monthly  
meeting in the 6<sup>th</sup> mo be held 2<sup>dy</sup> bfore the  
2<sup>d</sup> 6<sup>th</sup> dy  
Collected in the South preparative meeting  
3<sup>s</sup>/4<sup>d</sup>

At a monthly meeting of women friend  
held in **Dartmouth** 7<sup>th</sup> 6<sup>th</sup> mo 1802  
the friends appointed to attend this meeting from  
the South preparative meeting **Mercy Shepherd  
& Mary Tucker** from the North **Hannah  
Tucker & Elizabeth Slead [Slade]** all present  
one of the friends appointed to attend the marriage  
of **Gideon Shepherd & Abigale Akin** inform they  
attended & discovered nothing but that it was  
orderly Conducted

*G Shepherd  
A Akin  
married* the Queries & answers to the Usial three with the  
accompt hath been read approvd & signd in this meeting  
& forwarded to the Quarterly meeting by our friends  
**Desire Howland Deborah Howland & Rhoda Tucker**  
who we appoint as representatives to attend the Same  
& they to report at our next M<sup>o</sup> meeting  
the friends appointed to visit **Elizabeth Kimpton [Kempton]** report

*E Kempton*

they have attended thereto & found a good Deg<sup>f</sup>ee of Satisfaction it is therefore the Conclution of this Meeting to receive her into membership the mens Meeting Uniteing there with  
**Mercy Slocum** is appointed to assist the Clerk in correcting & recording the minnits  
**Hannah Tucker Phebe Tucker Desire Howland Sarah Wood & Lucy Howland** are appointed overseers of the poor for the year Insuing

this meeting is informd from the mens that a Concern rests on friends minds that a Committee Should be appointed to visit friends families which Concern this meeting takes under Consideration & refers it untill another month

At a M<sup>o</sup> Meeting of women friends held in **Dartmou<sup>^</sup>[th]** the 19<sup>th</sup> of 7<sup>mo</sup> 1802

The friends appointed to attend this Meeting from the south preparetive meeting are **Mary Wing & Hannah Wood** from the North **Elizebeth Gifford & Jedidah Mosher** all present except **Mary Wing**

the friend appointed attend the Quarterly Meeting report they all attended except **Deborah Howland** for who absence Satisfactory reasons was given

*E Kempton Certificate*

this meeting is informd that **Elizebeth Kinton [Kempton]** requests a Certificate recommending her to the M<sup>o</sup> meeting at **N Bedford [New Bedford] Sarah Wood & Bethiah Russell** are appointed to prepare one & bring to the next M<sup>o</sup> meeting

this meeting is informed by the audits that they

have Setled with the treasury & their remains in stock 12<sup>s</sup>/3<sup>d</sup>

**Rebeckah Akin** has removed to live within the Compas of **N Bedford [New Bedford]** m<sup>o</sup> meeting & requests our certificate **Mary Tucker & Anna Eddy**

are appointed to prepare one & bring to the next monthly meeting if appears to hinder [*sic*]

this meeting is informd from the overseers that **Silvia Barker** has married out of unity of friends it is the conclution of this meeting

*S Barker disowned*

to disown her from any rite of membership amongst friends the mens meeting uniteing theirwith **Lucy Howland** is appointed to inform her of her denial & report to our next monthly meeting

*E Sheldon*

this meeting haveing received a copy of a minet from **Leomans** m<sup>o</sup> meeting expressive of



*acknowled  
ment  
received* friends unity with **Elizaann Shelden [Sheldon]** after  
due consideration theiron this meeting  
Concludes to except her acknowledgment  
haveing the Concurance of the mens meeting  
theirin **Ruth Mosher & Jedidah Mosher**  
are appointed to prepare a Certificate for her  
& bring to the next m<sup>o</sup> meeting  
**Jedidah Mosher Elizabeth Howland & Mary  
Tucker** are appointed overseers for the year insuing  
the appointment of a Committe to join the  
men friends in visiting famelyes is refferd  
another month

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*A Chase* **Abigale Chace** requests a removal Certificate  
**Lucy Howland & Sarah Wood** are appointed to  
prepare one & bring to the next monthly  
meeting if nothing appears to hinder  
*L Potter* **Lidia Potter** requests a Certificate recomme[nd]  
-ing her to the monthly meeting at **Easton Elizabe[th]  
Gifford** ^ & **Hannah Tucker** are appointed to prepare one & bring to th[e]  
next m<sup>o</sup> meeting if nothing appears to hinder  
Collected in the North preparative meeting 4<sup>s</sup>/5<sup>d</sup>

At a monthly meeting of women friends held in  
**Dartmouth** 16<sup>th</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> mo 1802  
the friends appointed to attend this meeting from the  
South preparative meeting **Mercy Shepherd & Deborah  
Howland** from the North **Abigale Russell & Phebe  
Tucker** all present **Lucy Howland** reports she informed  
**Silvia Barker** of her denial  
**Sarah Wood 2<sup>d</sup>** is reappointed Clerk for the year insuing  
**Jerusha Smith Deborah Howland & Rachel Sandford [Sanford]**  
are appointed overseers ^for the insueing year  
a Certificate for **Rebeckah Akin** wife of **Thomas**  
Directed to the monthly at **N Bedford [New Bedford]**

*R Akin*  
*C Signd*  
*E Sheldon*  
*C Signd*  
*L Potter*  
*C Signed*  
one for **Elizaan Shelden [Sheldon]** Directed to the monthly meeting  
at **Leomans**  
one for **Lidia Potter** directed to the monthly meeting  
at **Easton**

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*B Taber*  
*& famely*  
*C Signd*  
*E Kemton*  
*C Signd*  
Likewise one for **benjamin Taber junr** & Children namely  
**Hannah Allen James Henry & Shubel** Directed to  
the m<sup>o</sup> meeting at **N Bedford [New Bedford]**  
a few lines for **Elizabeth kempton** directed  
to the same monthly meeting all which was  
read approved & Signd in this & the mens meeting

*B T* **Benjamin Tucker & Lucreta Russell** Published  
*LR* their intention of marriage in this meeting & were  
*publishd* referd to the mens

*Job Anthony*  
*& wife*  
*accepted* **Rachel Sandford [Sanford] & Mary Tucker** are appointed to inspect into **Lucreta Russells** clearnes respecting marriage & they to report to our next mo meeting  
A Certificate from the mo meeting at **N Port [Newport]** on behalf of **Job Anthony & wife Phebe** was read & excepted in this & the mens meeting the appointing of a committe to join the men in visiting of families is still referd an other month

At a monthly meeting of women friends held in **Dartmouth** 20<sup>th</sup> 9<sup>th</sup> 1802 the friends appointed to attend this meeting from the South prepartive meeting **Lucy Howland & Bethiah Russell** from the North **Hannah Potter & Hannah Tucker** all present the friends appointed to inspect into **Lucreta Russells** Clearness respecting marriage report they find nothing to hinder her Proceeding the Queries & answers to the usial three with the acoun<sup>ts</sup> has been read approved & signed in this meeting & forwar =ded to the Quarterly meeting by our friends **Lucy Howland Mary Tucker & Patience Shepherd** who are appointed as representatives to attend the Same & they to report at our next monthly meeting

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*H. Wood*  
*=man*  
*request* **Hannah Woodman** Sent a few lines to this meeting cond[emn] =ing her misconduct **Mercy Slocum & Elizabeth H[?]** are appointed to visit her in order to discover the Sincerity of her mind & they to report when ready

Extracts from the minits of our yearly meeting of wome[n] friends also transcripts from the **London** Epistle hath be[en] read in this meeting to Satisfaction

the appointing of a committe from this meeting to join the men friends in visiting famelys being wa<sup>t</sup>ely [weightily] Considered **Mercy Slocum & Rhoda Tucker** are appointed to attend their to as truth may direct

*B.T*  
*LR*  
*answer* **Benjamin Tucker & Lucreta Russell** appeared for their answer <sup>^nothing appearing to hinder</sup> were allowed to proceed **Rachel Sandford [Sanford] & Hannah Gifford** are appointed to have the oversite of [their?] Marriage & they to report at our next monthly meeting

At a monthly meeting of women friends held in **Dartmouth** 10<sup>th</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> mo 1802

the Clerk of this meeting beeing absent **Bethiah Russell** is appointed Clerk for the day  
the friends appointed to attend this meeting from the South preparative meeting **Mary Wing & Elizabeth Howland** from the North **Elizabeth Gifford & Mehetable Tucker** all absent except **Mary Wing**  
the friends appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting report they all attended & likewise inform it is the Conclut[ion] of that meeting that the Same begin in futer at the tenth hour

*B T*  
*L R*  
*married* the friend appointed to have the oversite of **Benjamin Tucker & Lucreta Russells** Marriage report it was orderly conducted  
Collected in the South preparative meeting 3/1

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At a Monthly Meeting of women friends held in **Dartmouth** 15<sup>th</sup> of 11<sup>mo</sup> 1802  
the friends appointed to attend this meeting from the South preparative meeting are **Mary Smith & Rhoda Gifford** from the North **Jerusha Smith & Rhoda Tucker** all present  
we have received Transcripts of Epistils from the yearly meeting of women friends of **New York & Philidelphia [Philadelphia]** which have been read in this meeting to Satisfaction the Queries & answers to the usuil three with the account have been read approvd & Signd in this meeting & forwarded to the Quarterly meeting by our friends **Jerusha Smith Rhoda Tucker & Desire Howland** who are appointed as representativ[es] to attend the Same & they to report at our next monthly meeting this meeting is informed that **Catherine Sandford [Sanford]** wife of **David** requests a removal Certificate to the monthly meeting at **Sidney Anna Eddy & Rachel Sandford [Sanford]** are appointed to prepar one & bring to the next monthly meeting if nothing appears to hinder the friends appointed to inspect into the Sincerity of **Hannah Woodman** acknowledgment report they received a good degree of Satisfaction it is therefore the Conclution of this meeting to received her into membership again the mens meeting Uniting there with

*H Woodman*  
*received*

At a monthly meeting of women friends held in **Dartmouth** 20<sup>th</sup> 12<sup>th</sup> mo 1802  
the friends appointed to attend this meeting from the South preparative meeting **Patience Shepherd &**

**Elizabethe Howland** from the North **Hannah Potter & Rhoda Moott [Mott]** all present the friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting report they all attended  
Collected in the South preparative meeting 4<sup>th</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> 1/2<sup>d</sup> in the North 3<sup>s</sup>/2<sup>d</sup>

*C Sandford C Sined* A Certificate for **Catherine Sandford [Sanford]** wife of **David** was read approv<sup>d</sup> & Singd in this & the mens meeting directed to the monthly meeting at **Sidney** The friend in **Allens Neck** requests the favour of holding meetings amongst them as Usial. untill the monthly meeting in the fourth month which request is granted **Deborah Howland Sarah Slocum & Elizebeth Howland** are appointed to have the oversig[ht] of Said meeting & they to report when ended Likewise a Simmerlar request friends in **Smiths Neck** which this meeting grants & appoi[nt] **Mary Smith Sarah Howland Desire Howland & Sarah Smith** to have the care of Said meeting & they to report at the Expiration of the time of holding them

At a monthly meeting of women friend held in **Dartmouth** 17<sup>th</sup> of 1<sup>mo</sup> 1803 the friends appointed to attend the monthly meeting from the South preparative meeting **Patience Sheep =hard [Shepherd] & Lucy Howland** from the North **Hannah Tucker & Ruth Mosher** all preasent **Lucy Howland** is appointed to inform **Hannah Woodman** that this meeting has Excepted her

Acknowledgment to Satisfaction & report to our next monthly meeting **Patience Sheephard [Shepherd]** is re[?]appointed Treasurer for the year insu<sup>ing</sup>  
Collected in the South [?] preparative meeting 2<sup>s</sup>/3<sup>d</sup>

At a monthly meeting of women friend held in **Dartmouth** 21<sup>th</sup> of 2<sup>mo</sup> 1803 the friends appointed to attend this meeting from the South preparative meeting **Mary Tucker & Sarah Wood** from the North **Hannah Potter & Sarah Mosher** all preasent

At a monthly meeting of women friends held in **Dart<sup>m</sup> [Dartmouth]** the 21<sup>th</sup> of 3<sup>d mo</sup> 1803 the friends appointed to attend this meeting from the South preparative meeting **Mary Wing & Ruth Smith** from the North **Jedidah Mosher &**

**Patience Potter** all present  
 the Queries & answers with the accounts have been  
 read approved & Signed in this meeting & forwarded to the  
 Quarterly meeting by our friends **Lucy Howland &  
 Rhoda Tucker** who are appointed as representatives to  
 attend the Same & they to report to our next monthly  
 meeting  
 this meeting is informed that **Hannah Woodman** requests  
 our Certificate recommending her to the monthly [æt]  
 meeting at **Westport Lucy Howland & Mercy Slocum**  
 are appointed to prepare one & bring to next monthly  
 meeting  
 this meeting is Likewise informed that **Mary Slade**  
 requests a [ræ] Certificate for herself & Sisters **Elizbeth  
 & Mercy Jedidah Mosher & Hannah Tucker** are

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appointed to prepare one & bring to the next monthly  
 meeting if <sup>nothing</sup> appears to hinder

*E Sisson  
 accepted* A Certificate from the monthly meeting of **New bedford**  
 on behalf of **Edith** wife of **Jonathan Sisson** has been  
 read & excepted in this & the mens meeting

*D Smith  
 Request  
 for Children* this meeting is informed that **Deliverance Smith**  
 & wife requests for their Children namely **Sarah &  
 William Sarah Howland & Lucy Howland** are appointed  
 to Join the men friends in visiting of **Deliverance  
 Smith** family & they to report when ready

*J Antho  
 ny* **Job Anthony** requests a Certificate for himself  
 & family **Mary Tucker & Anna Eddy** are appointed  
 to Join the men friends in preparing one & bring to  
 the next monthly meeting if nothing appears to  
 hinder

Collected in the South preparative meeting 6<sup>s</sup>/1 1/2<sup>d</sup>

At a monthly meeting of women friends held  
 in **Dartmouth** 18<sup>th</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> mo 1803  
 the friends appointd to attend this meeting from  
 the South preparative meeting **Bethiah Russell  
 & Mercy Shepherd** from the North **Elizabeth** <sup>Gifford</sup>  
**& Mehetable Tucker** all present except **Mehet[able]  
 Tucker** -- the friends appointed to attend the  
 Quarterly meeting report they attended

*R Wuddle* this meeting is informed that **Ruth Wuddle [Wardell?]** requests  
 our Certificat recommending her to the monthly meet[ing]  
 at **westport Rhoda Tucker & Hannah Tucker**  
 are appointed to prepare one & bring to the next  
 monthly meeting if nothing appears to hinder  
 Collected in the South preparative meeting 3<sup>s</sup>/3<sup>d</sup>

in the North 4<sup>s</sup>/8<sup>d</sup>

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a Certificate for **Job Anthony** & wife **Phebe** & Son  
*J Anthony* **Darias** & likewise one for **Mary Allen** widow  
*C sind* directed to the monthly meeting at **Rhodeisland** [**Rhode Island**]  
& one for **Hannah Woodman** wife of **Robert**  
*M E* Likewise Certificates for **Mary Elizabeth** &  
*& M* **Mercy Slead** [**Slade**] directed to the monthly meeting at  
*Slead* **westport** all which was read approved & signd in  
*C Signd* this & the mens meeting  
the friends appointed to visit **Deliverance Smith** &  
wife on account of the request for their children  
*D Smith* **William** & **Sarah** report they found a good degree of Satisfaction  
*Children* it is their fore the conclution of this & the mens  
*received* meeting to receive them into membership with us  
the Committe appointed to have the care of the meetings  
in **Allens Neck** inform they have been all attended  
& in a good degree orderly & likewise a Simlar report  
from the committee in **Smiths Neck**

At a monthly meeting of women friends held  
in **Dartmouth** 16<sup>th</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> mo 1803  
the friends appointed to attend this meeting from  
the South prepartive meeting **Mary Tucker** &  
**Rachel Sandford** [**Sanford**] from the North **Jerusha Smith** &  
**Phebe Tucker** all present

*M Smith* this meeting is informed that **Meriah Smith**  
*& daugh* widow & Daughters **Ruby** & **Ailce** has removed to live  
*ters C* within the Compas of **Saratoga** monthly meeting &  
requests our Certificate **Jerusha Smith** & **Mary Tucker**  
are appointed to prepare them & bring to the next  
monthly meeting if nothing appears to hinder

*R W* a Certificate for **Ruth** the wife of **Gartham Wuddle** [**Wardell?**]  
*C signd* has been read approved & Signed in this & the mens  
meeting recommending her to the monthly  
meeting at **westport**

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At a monthly meeting of women friends  
held in **Dartmouth** 6<sup>th</sup> of 6<sup>mo</sup> 1803 —  
the friends appointed to attend this meeting  
from the South prepartive meeting are  
**Lucy Howland** & **Mercy Sheephard** [**Shepherd**] from  
the North **Rhoda Tucker** & **Jedidah Mosher**  
all present  
**Rachel Sandford** [**Sanford**] is appointed Treasurer for the  
year Insuing **Mercy Slocum** & **Elizebeth**

*M Smith  
& daughters  
C Signd*

**Hathaway** are appointed to assist the Clerk  
in correcting & recording the minnits  
**Bethiah Russell & Patience Howland** are  
appointed Audits for the year insuing  
Certificates to the monthly meeting at  
**Saratoga** on beha<sup>lf</sup> of **Meriah Smith** widow  
& Daughters **Reuby & Alce** was read  
approvd & Sind in this & the mens meeting  
this meeting Concludes & adjourns to the  
third Second Day in this month

20<sup>th</sup> of 6<sup>mo</sup> 1803 met agreable to adjournment  
the representatives beeing Called all present  
The ~~reper~~ Queries & answers <sup>^ to the usial thre</sup> with the accounts  
have been read approved & Signd in this meeting  
& forwarded to the Quarterly meeting by our friends  
**Deborah Howland & Phebe Tucker** who are appoin[ted]  
as representatives to attend the Same & they to repo[rt]  
at our next monthly meeting  
we have been favoured with the company of  
our beloved friend **Elizabeth Coggeshall**

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*S Slead  
& famely  
C accepted*

whose Gospel labours amongst us has at this time  
been truly acceptabl our friend with her compani  
=on **Elizabeth Byrd** produced Satisfactory Certifi  
=cates – – a Certificate from the monthly  
at **acoaxet** on behalf of **Samuel Slead [Slade]** & wife  
**Peace** with their Children **Edward Benjamin**  
& **William** was read & excepted in this & the  
mens meeting

At a monthly meeting of women friends held  
in **Dartmouth** 18<sup>th</sup> 7<sup>th</sup> mo 1803  
the friends appointed to attend this meeting  
from the South preparetive meeting are  
**Rachel Sandford [Sanford]** & **Sarah Slocum** from the  
North **Rhoda Mott & Hannah Potter**

the friends appointed to attend the Quarterly  
meeting report they all attended  
**Bethiah Russell** informs this meeting  
She hath rec[k]oned & Settled with the  
Treasurrer & there remains in Stock  
£1-9<sup>s</sup>-9<sup>d</sup> we have receivd extracts from the  
minnits of our Yearly meeting Likewise  
Transcripts of an Epistle from **Philidilphia [Philadelphia]**  
which was read in this meeting to Satisfaction  
**Hannah Tucker Phebe Tucker Desire Howland**  
**Lucy Howland & Sarah Slocum** are appointed  
overseers of the poor for the Year insuing

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at a monthly meeting of women friends held  
in **Dartmouth** 15<sup>th</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> m 1803  
the friends appointed to attend this meeting from  
the South preparative meeting **Rachel Sandford [Sanford]**  
& **Lucy Howland** from the North **Phebe Tucker**  
& **Jedidah Mosher** all present the minits are  
recorded up to the 7<sup>th</sup> m 1803 this meeting appoi[nts]  
**Patience Potter Elizabeth Howland Jedidah**  
**Mosher & Mary Wing** overseers for the year  
insueing  
**Sarah Wood 2<sup>d</sup>** is reappointed Clerk for the in[su]  
=ing year

*W Wood  
& famely  
C received*

a certificate from the monthly meeting at  
**Newport** on behalf of **William Wood** & wife  
**Mehetable** with their Children **John & Hannah**  
was read ~~approved~~ & accepted in this & the  
mens meeting

At a monthly meeting of women friends  
held in **Dartmouth** 19<sup>th</sup> 9<sup>th</sup> mo 1803  
the friends appointed to attend this meeting from  
the South preparative meeting **Anna Eddy**  
& **Rachel Sandford [Sanford]** from the North **Rhoda**  
**Tucker & Ruth Mosher** all present except  
**Anna Eddy** & Satisfactory reasons was given  
why She did not attend  
the Quries & answers with the accounts have  
been read approved & signd in this meeting &  
forwarded to the Quarterly meeting by our  
**Hannah Tucker Mary Tucker & Jedidah**  
**Mosher** who are appointed as representatives to  
attend the Same & they to report at our next  
monthly meeting

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**Mary Tucker & Rachel Sandford [Sanford]** are appointed  
overseers for the year insueing  
Collected in the North preparative meeting 3<sup>s</sup>-5<sup>d</sup>  
the men friends inform they are about to deny  
unity with **Joshua Potter** which this meeting  
unites with  
This meeting is informed that **Jonathan Slocum**  
is about to remove to **Easton** & requests a  
certificate for himself & famely **Hannah Wood**  
& **Sarah Wood 2<sup>d</sup>** are appointed to Join the <sup>^</sup>men friends  
in preparing one & bring to our next monthly  
meeting if nothing appears to hinder



At a monthly meeting of women friends held in **Dartmouth** 17<sup>th</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> mo 1803 the friends appointed to attend this meeting from the South preparative **Patience Shepherd & Bethiah russell** from the North **Patience Potter & Jedidah** <sup>^Moshers</sup> all present except **Patience Potter** for whose absence satisfactory reasons was Given the friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting report they all attended except **Mary Tucker** she was prevented by sickness we have received Epistles from **London & Newyork** [**New York**] which hath been read in this meeting to satisfaction

*J Slocum*  
[&] famely  
[C] Signd

a Certificate for **Jonathan Slocum** & wife **Bethiah** with their two Daughters **Rebeckah & Bethiah** was read approved & Signd in this and the mens meeting directed to the monthly meetin[g] at **Easton**

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*T Lapham*  
*S Russell*  
*J Eddy*  
*M Tucker*  
*Published*

**Thomas Lapham & Sarah Russell Job Eddy Mehetable Tucker** Published their intentio[ns] of marriage in this meeting & were referd to the mens **Mary Tucker Anna Eddy Sarah Mosher & Rhoda Tucker** are appointed to inspect into **Sarah Russell & Mehetab[le] Tuckers** Clearness respecting marrage & they to report at our next monthly meeting

At a monthly meeting of women friends held in **Dartmouth** the 21<sup>st</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> m 1803 the friends appointed to attend this meeting from the South preparative meeting **Mary Tucker & Anna Eddy** from the North **Rhoda Tucker & Sarah Mosher** all present except **Rhoda Tucker** the Clerk beeing absent **Patience Howland** is appointed <sup>^Clerk</sup> for the day the Quries & answers to the usial three with the accounts have been read approved & signd in this meeting & forwarded to the Quarterly meeting by our friends **Mary Tucker Mary Wing Sarah Mosher & Sarah Howland** & they to report at our next monthly meeting the friends appointed to inspect into **Sarah**

*T Lapham*

*S Russell* **Russell & Mehetable Tuckers** Clearness respe[ct]  
*J Eddy* -ing report they find nothing to hinder their  
*M Tucker* proceeding **Thomas Lapham & Sarah Russell**  
*answer* **Job Eddy & Mehetable Tucker** appeared for thei[r]  
Answer nothing appearing to hinder they were refe[r]

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to the men **Sarah Howland Rachel Sandford [Sanford]**  
**Sarah Mosher & Peace Slead [Slade]** are appointed to  
have the oversight of Said marriages & they to  
report at our next monthly meeting

At a monthly meeting of women friends held in  
**Dartmouth** 19<sup>th</sup> 12<sup>th</sup> 1803  
the friends appointed to attend this meeting from  
the South preparative meeting **Bethiah Russell**  
& **Elizabeth Slead [Slade]** from the North **Elizabeth**  
**Gifford & Hannah Tucker** all present  
the friends appointed to attend the Quarterly  
meeting report they all attended

*T Laph* the committee appointed to have the oversight of  
*S Russ* **Thomas Lapham & Sarah Russell Job Eddy &**  
*J Eddy* **Mehetable Tucker** report they all attended &  
*M Tucker* discovered nothing but that it was orderly conduc<sup>ted</sup>  
*married* **Mehetable Eddy** wife of **Job** is about to remove  
to live within the compas of **N Bedford [New Bedford]** monthly  
meeting & requests our certificate **Jerusha Smith**  
& **Rhoda Tucker** are appointed to prepare one &  
bring to the next monthly meeting if nothing  
appears to hinder  
this meeting is informed that **Lurane Wood** hath  
kept company & married out of the order of  
friends **Sarah Howland & Lucy Howland** are  
appointed to treat with her & they to report  
when ready

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the men friends inform they are about to  
deny unity with **Luke Bowdish [Bowditch]** which th[is]  
meeting unites with  
this meeting is informed that **Mary Smith**  
*M Smith* a member of this meeting being on a vi[sit]  
*Coppy* within the Compas of **Perue [Peru]** monthly meeting  
& <sup>^</sup>expecting to reside their for some time requests a copy of this minit the Clerk is  
directed to furnish her with a Coppy  
**Patience Howland** is appointed assistant  
Clerk for the year insueing

a request from friends in **Allens Neck** for holding meetings the insueing winter was read & granted to begin at **Peleg Slocums Elizabeth Howland Deborah Howland & Lullis Gifford & Sarah Slocum** are appointed to ~~have the~~ join the men friends in haveing the oversight of Said meetings & they to report when ~~ready~~ ended Likewise a Simelar request from the friends in **Smiths Neck** which was granted & to begin at **William Anthony Sarah Howland & Ruth Smith** are to Join the men friends in haveing the oversight of Said meetings & they to report at the expiration of the time of hold[ing] Said meetings

at a monthly meeting of women friends held in **Dartmouth** 18<sup>th</sup> 1<sup>m</sup> 1804  
The friends appointed to attend this meeting for the South prepartive meeting **Deborah Howland & Patience Shepherd**

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from the North **Sarah Mosher & Peace Slead [Slade] Deborah <sup>^Howland</sup> & Peace Slead [Slade]** absent by reason of sick =ness a Certificate for **Mehetable Eddy** wife <sup>of Job</sup> was read approved & Signd in this & the mens meeting recommending her to the monthly meeting at **N Bedford [New Bedford]**

At a monthly meeting of women friends held in **Dartmouth** 20<sup>th</sup> 2<sup>d</sup> mo 1804 —————  
the friends appointed to attend this meeting from the South prepartive meeting **Mercy Shepherd & Aanna Eddy** from the North **Patience Potter & Hannah Tucker** all preasent

*M Wing  
request*

**Mercy Wing** Sent a few Lines to this meeting requesting to be receivd into membership with friends. **Elizabeth Howland & mercy Slocum** are appointed to inspect into the Sincerity thereof & report when ready

*R Giff  
acknowl  
edgment*

**Rebeakh Gifford** forwarded a paper to this meeting Condemning her misconduct **Mercy Antony [Anthony] Elizebeth Howland & Lucy Howland** are appointed to inspect into the State of her mind & they to report when ready

**Daniel Antony [Anthony]** requests a removal Certificate for himself & family **Bethiah Russell & Patience Howland** are appointed to Join the men friends in preparing one & bring to the next monthly meeting if nothing appears to hinder

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At a monthly meeting of women friends held in  
**Dartmouth** 19<sup>th</sup> 3<sup>d</sup> mo 1804  
the friends appointed to attend this meeting for  
the South preparative meeting **Mary Wing &  
Patience Shepherd** from the North **Rhoda Tuck[er]  
& Peace Slead [Slade]** all present the Queries & answe[rs]  
with the accounts have been read approved & signd  
in this meeting & forwarded to the Quarterly meeting  
by our friends **Lucy Howland Desire Howland &  
Jedidah Mosher** who are appointed as represent  
=atives to attend the Same & they to report at  
our next monthly meeting  
this meeting is informed from the overseers that

*H Trip  
disownd*

**Hannah Trip [Tripp]** wife of **abner** married out of the  
order of friends with one that was a member  
it is theirfore the conclusion of this to di[s]own  
her from beeing any longer a member of ~~this~~  
our Society the mens meeting uniteing their  
=with **Jedidah Mosher** is appointed to inform  
her of her denial & report at our next monthly  
meeting

*D Anthony  
& famely  
C Signd*

a certificate for **Daniel Anthony & wife Lidea**  
with their Children **Alce & Asa** was read  
approved & Signd in this & the mens meeting  
recommending them to the monthly meeting  
at **Saratoga**

At a monthly meeting of women friends held  
in **Dartmouth** 16<sup>th</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> mo 1804  
the friends appointed to attend this meeting  
from the South preparative meeting

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**Sarah Slocum & Rachel Sandford [Sanford]** from the  
North **Hannah Tucker & Rhoda Mott** all  
present  
the friends appointed to attend the Quarterly  
meeting report they all attended

**Jedidah Mosher** reports She informed **Hanna<sup>h</sup>  
Trip [Tripp]** of her denial

*M Wing  
received*

the friends appointed to inspect into the  
cencerity of **Mercy Wing** wife of **John** request  
report they found good Sattisfaction it is  
theirfore the conclusion of this & the mens  
meeting to receive her into membership with us  
**Mary Wood** forwarded a paper to this requesting

*M Wood request* to be received into membership with friends  
**Lucy Howland & Rhoda Gifford** are appointed to inspect into the State of her mind & they to report when ready  
**Humphrey Lapham** & wife **Ruth** requests friends care for their Children **Mercy Anthony & Sarah Howland** are appointed to Join the men friend in fisiting [visiting] of the famely on account of their request & they to report when ready  
the friends that had the care of the meetin -gs in **Allens Neck** report they have been all attended & in a good degree orderly & likewise a Simelar ~~reque~~ report from the friends in **Smiths Neck**  
At a monthly meeting of women friends held in **Dartmouth** 21<sup>st</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> mo 1804  
the friends appointed to attended this meeting from the South prepartive meeting **Anna Eddy & Patience Shepherd** from the North **Jedidah Mosher & Ruth Mosher** all present

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this Meeting unites with the mens in Receiving **Caleb Gifford** acknowledge ment the friends appointed to visit **Humphrey Lapham** & familiy on account of a request for their Children **Joseph Phebe Olover Hannah & Humphrey** report they found a Good Degree of Satisfaction it is therefore the Conclusion of this & the mens meeting to receivd them into member Ship with friend

*H Lapham Children received*

*L Wood received*

the freinds appointed to inspect into the Sincirity of **Lurana Wood** wife of **John** acknoledgment report they believe her to be Sinceir therein it is the Conclusion of this meeting to receive the Same for Satisfaction. the men visited there with **Elizabeth Allen** forwarded a paper to this meeting Condemning her marrying out of the order of freind[s] **Abigail Russell Rhoda Tucker & Anna Eddy** are appointed to inspect into the State of her mind & they to report when ready  
this meeting unites with the men in Disowning **William Hart J<sup>ur</sup>**

*P Nicholson*  
*received*  
the Committee appointed from  
**Sandwich** [Sandwich] monthly meeting to visit  
**Phebe Nicholson** having brought

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a Satisfactory report of which this meeting  
being informd, after a deliberate Consider  
ation thereon Concluds to except her acknoled  
gement the men uniting there with  
**Bethiah Russell & Mercy Shepherd**  
are appoid to prepair Sertificates for  
**Phebe Nicholson & Lurana Wood**

At a monthly meeting of women friends held  
in **Dartmouth** 18<sup>th</sup> 6<sup>th</sup> mo 1804  
the friends appointed to attend this meeting from  
the South prepartive meeting **Mary Wing &**  
**Mercy Shepherd** from the North **Rhoda** <sup>^tucker</sup> &  
**Elizabeth Gifford** all present  
the Quries & answers to the usial three with the  
accounts have ben read approved & Signd in this &  
~~the mens~~ meeting & forwarded to the Quarterly  
meeting by our friends **Rhoda Tucker Elizabeth**  
**Hathaway & Desire Howland** who are appointed  
as representatives to attend the Same & they to report  
at our next monthly meeting

*L Wood*  
*C Signd*  
*P Nicholson*  
*C Signd*  
*W Gifford*  
*& famely*  
*accepted*  
a certificate for **Lurane Wood** wife of **John**  
Directed to the monthly meeting at **N Bedford** [New Bedford]  
& likewise one for **Phebe Nicholson** Directed to  
the monthly meeting at **Sandwich** was read  
approved & Signd in this & the mens meeting  
a Certificate from the monthly meeting at  
**acoaxet** on behalf of **William Gifford** & wife  
**Freelove** with their Children **Anna Isaac**  
**Patience Elizabeth Cinthia & William** was

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read & excepted in this & the mens meeting  
This meeting unites with the men in receiv  
ing **Increas Allens** acknowledgment for  
Satisfaction  
the friends appointed to visit **Mary Wood**  
wife of **Jonathan** report they think her  
Sincere in her request it is the Concluti[on]  
of this meeting to receive her into member  
Ship with us the mens meeting uniteing  
theirwith  
At a monthly meeting of women friends

held in **Dartmouth** 16<sup>th</sup> 7<sup>th</sup> mo 1804  
the friends appointed to attend this meeting  
from the South preparative meeting are  
**Lucy Howland & Deborah Howland**  
from the North **Rhoda Mott & Hannah**  
**Mosher** all present  
the friends appointed to attend the Qua[rter]  
ly meeting report they all attended excep[t]  
**Elizabeth Hathaway** & she gave Satisfa  
ctory reasons for the Same  
we have received extracts from our yearly  
meetings minits ~~by which~~ in which it [is]  
recommended the introductory recommend  
ation usually read preceeding the Queries may  
be omitted in future untell [unless?] circumstances rend[er]  
it necessary & that women friends in ~~future~~  
their meeting need not read or answer that

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part of the 7<sup>th</sup> Querie respecting the  
payment of priests wages bearing of arms  
training or other miletery matters & that  
the following be the whole of the 9<sup>th</sup> Querie  
are friends carefull to maintain our testamo  
ny against Slavery  
an Epistle from **philidelpha [Philadelphia] & Newyork [New York]**  
Dated 1804 & one from **London** Dated 1803 was  
acceptably read in this meeting  
**Elizabeth Hathaway** is appointed to assist  
the Clerk in correcting the minits  
a Certificate from the monthly meeting at  
**westport** on behalf of **Ester Potter** was  
read & excepted in this & the mens  
meeting

*E Potter  
C accepted*

At a Monthly Meeting of women friends  
held in **Dartmouth** 20<sup>th</sup> 8<sup>mo</sup> 1804  
the friend appointed to attend this meeting  
from the South preparative meeting **Mercy**  
**Sheephard [Shepherd] & Elizebeth Howland** from  
the North **Phebe Tucker & Ruth Mosher**  
**Elizebeth Howland & Phebe Tucker** not  
presant prevented by indisposition of body  
1804 Rec[k]oned & Settled with the Treasuer  
and there remains in Stock 1<sup>£</sup>-2<sup>s</sup>-3<sup>d</sup>  
**Sarah Wood 2<sup>d</sup>** is reappointed Clerk for  
the year Insuing

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At a Monthly Meeting of women friend[s]  
held in **Dartmouth** 17<sup>th</sup> 9<sup>mo</sup> 1804  
the friend appointed to attend this meeting  
from the South preparative meeting **Mercy**  
**Sheephard [Shepherd] & Peace Slade** from the North  
**Rhoda Tucker & Patience Potter** all present

*Accounts  
Quarterly  
meeting*

The Queries & Answers <sup>^to the</sup> usual three with  
the accompt have been read approv'd &  
Sign'd in this meeting & forwarded to the  
Quarterly meeting by our friend **Mary**  
**Tucker Rhoda Tucker & Desire Howland**  
who are appointed as representatives to  
attend the Same & they to report at  
our next monthly meeting  
This <sup>^meeting</sup> appoints **Pattience Howland Patien[ce]**  
**Potter Jedidah Mosher Mary Tucker &**  
**Rachel Sandford [Sanford]** to the place of overseers  
for the year Insuing

*E J  
R R  
publish  
ed*

**Elisha Thornton J<sup>r</sup> & Rebecca**  
**Russell** Published their Intention of marria[ge]  
in this meeting & were refird to the mens  
**Rachel Sandford [Sanford] & Anna Eddy** are appointed  
to Inspect into **Rebecca Russell** Clearness  
respecting marriage & they to report to our  
next monthly meeting

At a Monthly Meeeting of women friend. held  
in **Dartmouth** the 19<sup>th</sup> 10<sup>mo</sup> 1804  
the friends appointed to attend this meeting  
from the South preparative are **Mercy**  
**Sheepherd [Shepherd] Patience Sheephard [Shepherd]** from the  
north **Jerusha Smith & Rhoda Tucker**  
all preasent

The friend appoid to attend the Quarterly  
meeting report they all attended except  
**Rhoda Tucker**. She being prevented by indis-  
otion of body

the friend appointed to inspect into **Rebecca**  
**Russell** clearness respecting marriage report  
they find nothing to hinder her proseedng

*E T  
R R  
maried*

**Elisha Thornton J<sup>r</sup> & Rebecca Russe[ll]**  
appaered for Answer nothing appearing to  
hinder wire alloud to proseed in marriage  
bitween this & the next monthly meeting  
**Mercy Sheephard [Shepherd] & Rachel Sandford [Sanford]** are  
appointed to have the oversight of Said  
marriage & they to report to our next



monthly meeting

*Overseers appointed* this meeting appoints **Lillis Gifford & Elizabeth Howland** to the place of overseers for the year Insuing ..  
**Hannah Tucker Deborah Howland Ruth Gifford Phebe Tucker & Sarah Slocum** are appointed overseers of the poor for the Insuindg year

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at a monthly meeting of women friends held in **Dartmouth** 19<sup>th</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> mo 1804  
the friends appointed to attend this meeting from the South preparative meeting **Patience Shepherd & Lucy Howland** from the North **Hannah Tucker & Mary Tucker Chace** all present

**Rachel Sandford** informed this meeting She attended the marriage of **Elisha Thornton & Rebeckah Russell** & discovered nothing but that it was orderly Conducted

*accounts to the Q meting*

the Queries & answers to the usial those with the accounts have been read approved & signd in this meeting & forwarded to the Quarterly meeting by our friend **Lucy Howland Phebe Tucker & Hannah Tucker** who are appointed as representatives to attend the Same & they to report at our next monthly meeting

*M Easton Certificate excepted*

a Certificate from the monthly meeting at **Newport** on behalf of **Meribah Easton** Widow was read & excepted in this & the mens meeting

*A Brigs copy of minit*

**Abigale Brigs** widow a member of this meeting haveing gone to reside for some time within the verge of ~~the~~ **Adams** monthly meeting requests a few lines from this manifesting her right of membership amongst friends the Clerk is Directed to furnish her with a Copy of this minit

At a monthly meeting of women friends, held in **Dartmouth** 17<sup>th</sup> 12<sup>th</sup> mo 1804  
the friends appointed to attend this meeting from the South preparative meeting **Mary Tucker & Desire Howland** from the North **Rhoda Tucker & Rhoda Mott** all present except **Desire Howland**  
the clerk being Absent this meeting appoints **Deborah Howland** Clerk for the day

the friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting report they all attended

Received a request from the friends in **allens Neck** for holding as usual which was granted **Elizabeth Howland Mary Wing Deborah Howland & Mercy Wing** are appointed to Join the men friends in having the care of said meeting, & likewise a simelar request from the friends in **Smiths Neck** under the care of **Mercy Anthony Sarah Howland & Ruth Smith** who are appointed Join the men friends in haveing the over sight of said meetings & they to report at the expiration of the time of holding them

*request  
meeting  
Neck*

*S B  
Copy  
minit*

this meeting unites with the <sup>men</sup> in giveing **Stephen Buffington** a copy of the minit to visit friends within the compas of **Rhodeisland** Quarterly meeting --- at a monthly meeting of women friend held in **Dartmouth** 21<sup>st</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> mo 1805 the friends appointed to attend this meeting from the from the south preparetive meeting **Mercy Shepherd & Anna Eddy** from the North **Sarah Mosher & Frelove Gifford** all present

At a monthly meeting of women friends held in **Dartmouth** 18<sup>th</sup> 2<sup>d</sup> mo 1805

the friends appointed to attend this meeting from the South preparetive meeting **Lucy Howland & Rachel Sandford** from the North **Jedidah Mosher & Patience Potter** all present except **Patience Potter Frelove Gifford** rendered satisfactory reasons for her absence last month

*G Almy  
certificate  
request*

**George Almy** requests a removal Certificate for him self & famely recommending them to the monthly at **N Bedford Hannah Tucker & Frelove Gifford** are to join the men friends in prepareing one & bring to the next monthly meeting if nothing appears to hinder

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*B Hollaw  
ay &  
H Gifford  
intention  
marriage*

**Barnabas Hollaway & Hannah Gifford** Publish[ed] their intention of marriage in this meeting referd to the men **Jedidah Mosher & Rhoda Tucker** are appointed to inspect into **Hannah Giffords** Clearness respecting marriage & they to report at our next monthly meeting

At a monthly meeting of women friends held in **Dartmouth** 18<sup>th</sup> 3<sup>d</sup> mo 1805

the friends appointed to attend this meeting from the South preparetive meeting **Mary Wing & Peace Head** from the North **Rhoda Tucker &**

**Jedidah Mosher** all present **Patience Potter** rendered Satisfactory Reasons for her absence last month  
 the Queries & answers with the accounts have been read approved & signd in this meeting & forwarded to the Quarterly meeting by our friends **Jedidah Mosher Sarah Slocum Mary Tucke[r] & Rhoda Tucker** who are appointed as representatives to attend the Same & they to report at our next monthly meeting  
 the friends appointed to inspect into **Hannah Giffords** clearness respecting marriage report th[e]y find nothing to hinder her proceeding  
**Patience Howland** is appointed assistant Clerk for the year insueing  
 this meeting unites with the men in the propo=seal of appointing **James Tucker** to the Statio[n] of an Elder  
**Barnabas Hollaway & Hannah Gifford** appear[d] for their answer nothing appearing to hinder were referd to the men **Freelove Gifford & Rhoda Tucker** are <sup>^</sup>to appointed have the over sight

*J Tucker  
 appointed  
 Elder*

*B H  
 H<sup>h</sup> G  
 answer* of said marriage & they to report at our next monthly meetg  
 a Certificate for **George B Almy & wife Elizabeth** with their Children **Hannah George & James** was read approved & signd in this & the mens meeting recommending them to the monthly meeting at **N Bedford**  
*J Almy  
 Certifi  
 cate* this meeting is informed that **Humphrey Russel** requests a certificate for himself & famely recommending them to the monthly meeting at **N Bedford Lucy Howland & Patience Howland** are appointed to Join the men friends in prepareing one & bring to the next monthly meeting if nothing appear to hinder  
 At a monthly meeting of women friends held in **Dartmouth** 15<sup>th</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> mo 1805  
 the friends appointed to attend this meeting from the South prepartive meeting **Mary Wing & Patience Shepherd** from the North **Rhoda Mott** all present  
 the friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting report they all attened  
*B Hollaway  
 Hannah  
 Gifford  
 married* the friends appointed to attend the marriage of **Barnabas Hollaway & Hannah Gifford** report they attended & discovered not any thing but that it was orderly conducted  
 this meeting unites with the men in receiveing of **Rufus Shearman** Son of **Caleb** into membership

with friends & likewise **David Gifford**  
Collected in the South preparative meeting 3<sup>s</sup>/11<sup>d</sup>  
the friends appointed to have the oversight of the  
meetings in **allens Neck** report they have all been  
attended in a good degree orderly & generally by the  
most of friends likewise ~~by the most of friends~~  
a simelar report from the friends in **Smith Neck**

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At a monthly meeting of women friends held  
**Dartmouth** 20<sup>th</sup> 5<sup>th</sup><sub>mo</sub> 1805  
the friends appointed to attend this meeting from  
the South preparative meeting **Sarah Wood &**  
**Patience Shepherd** from the North **Patience**  
**Potter & Freeloove Gifford** all present  
this meeting is informed from the overseers  
that **Deborah Chase** has married out of the  
order of friends & likewise had a Chid soon  
after marriage it is theirfore the conclusion of th[is]  
meeting to disown her from beeing any longer a mem[ber]  
the men friends uniteing theirwith **Lucy Howland &**  
**Sarah Wood 2<sup>d</sup>** are appointed to prepare a denial &  
bring to our next monthly meeting  
a certificate for **Humphrey Russell & wife**  
**Bethiah** with their Children **Sarah & Gilbert**  
likewise one for **Rebeckah Thornton** wife of **Elisha**  
was read approved & Signd in this & the mens meeting  
At a monthly meeting of women friends held in  
**Dartmouth** 17<sup>th</sup> 6<sup>th</sup><sub>mo</sub> 1805  
the friends appointed to attend this meeting from the  
South preparative meeting **Mary Wing & Rachel**  
**Sandford** from the North **Rhoda Tucker & Hannah**  
all present except **Mary Wing** for whose absence satisf  
=actory reasons was given  
this meeting adjourns to the 24<sup>th</sup> of this month  
24 day met agreeable to adjournment the representati[ves]  
all present  
the clerk beeing absent **Deborah Howland** is appointed  
Clerk for the day the Queries have been read & answers  
prepared to the usial three with the accounts have been re[ad]  
approved & signd in this meeting & forwarded to the Quarterly  
meeting by our **Sarah Mosher & Desire Howland** who  
are appointed as representatives to attend the same &  
they to report at our next monthly meeting

*D Chase  
complained  
of & denied*

*H Russell  
& famely  
certificates*

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this meeting is informed that **prince potter** requests

*A Lasons  
acknowledgment* A certificate for himself & family recommending them to the monthly meeting at **Danbery Jerusha Smith & Jedidah Mosher** are appointed to join the men in preparing one & bring to the our next monthly meeting Received an acknowledgment from **Abphia Lason** formerly **Mosher** condemning her misconduct we appoint **Anna Eddy & Jedidah Mosher** to write to the monthly meeting at **Danburgh Coomans** on the subject & bring to the next monthly meeting

*R Davis  
& wife  
certificate* a certificate from **N Bedford** monthly meeting on behalf of **Richard Davis & wife Ruth** with their niece **Anna Davis** hath been read & excepted in this & the mens meeting. - - - A valuable instructive Epistle

*G Church  
man  
Epistle* from our beloved friend **George Churchman** directed to the Quarterly Monthly & particular meetings hath been read at the present opportunity

At a monthly meeting of women friends held in **Dartmouth** 15<sup>th</sup> 7<sup>th</sup> mo 185

the friends appointed to attend this meeting from the South preparative meeting **Anna Eddy & Patience Shepherd** from the North **Jedidah Mosher & Phebe Tucker** all present the friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting report they attended this meeting is informed from the men that they conclude to except the acknowledgment of **Elihu Gifford** which this meeting unites with we have received extracts from the yearly meetings minits together with the epistles from **London Philidelphia & Newyork** which was read in this meeting to our mutal satisfaction ---- the committee appointed to write to **Comens[?]** monthly meeting respecting **abphia lasons** acknowledgment brought a letter which was read approved & signd in this & the mens meeeting & to be forwarded to that meeting a certificate for **Prince Potter** & his wife **Hannah** with their Children **Phean[?] Joanna & Susanna** was read approved & signd in this & the mens meeting also a certificate for **Prince Potter Jun<sup>r</sup>** recommending them to the monthly meeting at **Danby**

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At a monthly meeting of women friend held in **Dartmouth** 18<sup>th</sup> 8<sup>mo</sup> 1805 the friends appointed to attend this meeting from the South preparative meeting are **Mercy Sheepherd & Anne Eddy** from the North **Abigail Russell** and **freelove gifford** all present this meeting is informd that **Mary Soul** widow is about to remove within the Compass of **Eastown** monthly meeting & requests our Certifica[te]

**Ruth Davis & Anna Eddy** are appointed to prepare one & bring to the next monthly meeting if nothing appears to hinder. Likewise **Hannah Holloway** requests a Certificate to the monthly meeting of **Sandwich Rhoda Tucker & Sarah Mosher** are appointed to prepare one and bring to next monthly meeting if nothing appears to hinder, a Denial against **Deborah Chase** wife of **Levy** was read approved & Signed in this & the mens meeting and to be read publicly between this and the Next monthly meeting and returned to the Clerk to go on record **Sarah Wood 2<sup>d</sup>** is appointed Clerk for the year Insuing Collected £1-00<sup>d</sup>

At a monthly meeting of women friend held in **Dartmouth** 16<sup>th</sup> 9<sup>mo</sup> 1805 the friends appointed to attend this meeting from the South preparative meeting are **Elizabeth Howland & Deborah Howland** from the north **Elizebeth gifford & Hannah Tucker** all

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Present the Queries & Answers to the usual three with the accounts have been read approved & Signed in this meeting & forwarded to the Quarterly meeting by our friend **Mary Tucker Rhoda Tucker & Anna Eddy** who are appointed as representatives to attend the Same & they to report to the next monthly meeting

this meeting is informed that **Easter Shaw** formerly **potter** has kept Company & married out of the order friends Likewise had a Child Soon after marriage **Hannah Tucker & Jedidah Mosher** are appointed to prepare a Denial & bring to the next monthly meeting a Certificate for **mary Soul** widow directed to the monthly meeting at **Easton** & one for **Hannah Holoway** wife of **Barnebas** Directed to the monthly meeting at **Sandwich** was approved and Signed in this & mens meeting **John H Kuss & Mary Smith J<sup>nr</sup>** published their intention of marriage in this meeting & are referred to the mens **Ruth Davis & Patience Howland** are appointed to inspect into **mary Smiths** Clearness respecting marriage and they to report at our next monthly meeting **Phebe Easton** wife of **walter Easton** hath Sent a few lines to this meeting Condemning her marring out of the order of friend **Sarah Howland & Phebe Tucker** are appointed to inspect into the State of her mind & they to report when ready a Certificate from the monthly meeting of **westport**

on behalf of **Marthia Tripp** wife of **Benjamin**  
was excepted in this & the mens meeting Collected in  
the in the North preparative meeting £1-1<sup>d</sup> -----

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at a monthly meeting of women friends held in  
**Dartmouth** 21<sup>st</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> mo 1805  
the friends appointed to attend this meeting from t[he]  
South preparative meeting **Anna Eddy & Mercy**  
**Shepherd** from the North **Rhoda Tucker &**  
**Jedidah Mosher** all present – the friends appo[inted]  
to attend the Quarterly meeting report they al[l]  
attended – the friends appointed to inspect into  
**Mary Smiths** Clearness respecting marriage rep[ort]  
they find nothing to hinder her proceeding ---  
**Deborah Chase** testamony of denial has been  
publicly read & is as follows  
**Deborah Chase** wife of **Levy Chase** haveing been  
a member of our Society but for not attending to  
the inward principals that would have preserved  
from evil hath so far deviated theirfrom as to fall  
into the Sin of fornication as appears by her have  
ing a child Soon after marriage & friends haveing  
discharged themselves in tender council towards  
her we are concerned for the clearing of our testi  
=mony this publicly to testafy against her being  
a member of our Society untill She Shall be  
favoured rightly to condemn her misconduct to  
friends Satisfaction which is our desire  
Signd in behalf of the monthly meeting of frie[nds]  
held in **Dartmouth** **James Tucker** Clerk  
**Sarah Wood 2<sup>d</sup>**

**Mary Wood** is appointed to inform **Deborah Chase**  
of her Denial & report at our next monthly met[ing]  
**Mercy Slocum** is appointed to assist in correct  
-ing & recording the minit a testamony of  
Denial against **Easter Shaw** was approvd and  
Signd in this and the mens meeting **Jedidah**  
**Mosher** is appointed to Cause **Eastes Shaws**  
Denial publicly read between this & the next

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monthly meeting and returnd to the Clerk to  
record **John H Kees & mary Smith J<sup>ure</sup>**  
appeard for their answer nothing appearing to  
hinder their proceeding in marriage were refird to  
the men **Sarah Howland & Anna Eddy** are

appointed to have the oversight of Said marriage  
 & they to report to our next monthly meeting  
 At a monthly meeting of women friends held in  
**Dartmouth** 18<sup>th</sup> 11<sup>th</sup><sub>mo</sub> 1805  
 the friends appointed to attend this meeting from the  
 South preparative meeting **Mary Wing & Anna  
 Eddy** from the North **Hannah Tucker & Phebe  
 Tucker** all present  
**Mary Wood** reports She informed **Deborah Chase** of her  
 denial  
 the Queries & answers to the usual three with the account  
 -ts have been read approved & signed in this meeting &  
 forwarded to the Quarterly meeting by our friends **Hannah  
 Smith Patience Howland & Hannah Tucker** who  
 are appointed as representatives to attend the Same  
 & they to report at our next monthly meeting  
 the friends appointed to attend the marriage of **John  
 H Kees & Mary Smith jun<sup>r</sup>** report they attended &  
 discovered nothing but that it was orderly conducted  
 this meeting is informed from the <sup>men</sup> they have concluded  
 to receive **Joseph Mosher** acknowledgment to satisfac-  
 tion which this meeting unites with  
**Freelove Gifford Anna Eddy Hannah Tucker &  
 Phebe Tucker** are appointed overseers of the poor for  
 the year ensuing  
**Patience Howland Patience Potter Jedidah Mosher  
 Mary Tucker & Elizabeth Howland** are appointed  
 overseers of disorders for the ensuing year  
 our beloved friend **Stephen Buffington** being furnished by  
 the men with the copy of a minute for visiting the  
 meetings within the compass of **Rhode Island &  
 Smithfield** Quarterly the Same hath been united  
 with & signed in this meeting

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At a monthly meeting of women friends held in  
**Dartmouth** 16<sup>th</sup> 12<sup>mo</sup> 1805 -----  
 the friends appointed to attend this meeting from the  
 South preparative meeting are **Rachel Sandford &  
 Mercy Sheephard** from the North **Rhoda Mott &  
 Rhoda Tucker** all present  
 the friends appointed to attend the Quarterly  
 meeting report they all attended  
 a testimony of Denial against **Ester Shaw** has  
 been publicly read and is as follows

**Ester Shaw** having had her Education amongst us  
 but threw inattention to the principals of thought



hath so far departed therefrom as to marry out of the good order of friends & has fell into the Sin of fornication as appears by her haveing a Child Soon after marriage & for the clearing of truth & friends from Such disorderly conduct we are Concerned to give this forth hereby Disowning her the Said **Ester** from being any longer a member of our Society untill She Should be rightly favoured to See her out goings return & Sincerely condemn the Same

giving forth at our monthly meeting of friend held in **Dartmouth** 21<sup>th</sup> 10<sup>m</sup> 1805

**James Tucker**  
**Sarah Wood 2<sup>d</sup>**

this meeting Cocludes to receivd **Phebe Easton** wife of **Walter** into membership again the men uniteing therewith 12<sup>m</sup> 1805 then Recored & Settle with the Treasure & there remains in Stock 1<sup>£</sup>-10<sup>s</sup>-2<sup>d</sup>

the friends appointed to have the Care of **Rebeca gifford** request not bringing in a full report it

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is the mind of this meeting to return her paper hoping that a time would come when the matter would go forward with more clearness

a request from our friends in **Allins Neck** to have a metg held among them the Insuing winter also one from **Smiths Neck** on the Same account was brought before this meeting from the men with which we Concur & appoint our friends **Deborah Howland Elizebeth Howland Lillis Gifford & Mercy Wing** to have the oversight of the meeting in **Allens Neck** & they to report at our monthly meeting in the forth month **Hannah Smith Desire Howland Alic Anthony & Mary Smith** are appointed to have the oversigh[t] of the meeting in **Smiths Neck** & they to report at the Expiration of the time

**Sherman Slade & Elizebeth Howland James Howland & Edith Howland** published their Intention of marriage in this meeting & were refird to the men **Mary Wood & Mercy Slocum** are appointed to inspect into the yong womens Clearness respecting marriage & they rport at our Next monthly meeting

At a monthly meeting of women friends held in **Dartmouth** 20<sup>th</sup> 1<sup>st</sup><sub>mo</sub> 1806

the friends appointed to attend this meeting from the South prepartive meeting **Mercy Shepherd &**

**Patience Howland** from the North **Jedidah Mosher**  
& **Phebe Tucker** all present except **Phebe Tucke[r]**  
& She rendered satisfactions for her absence  
the friends appointed to inspect into **Elizabeth**  
& **Edeth Howlands** Clearness respecting marriage  
report thy find nothing to hinder their proceeding  
this meeting is informed from the men that they  
conclude to receive **Zepheniah Slead** acknowledged  
=gment which this meeting unites with

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**Shearman Slead & Elizabeth Howland James**  
**Howland & Edeth Howland** appeared for their  
answer nothing appearing to hinder were allo[wed]  
to proceed according to discipline **Mary Wood**  
**Sarah Howland** are appointed to have the  
oversite of the marriages & they to report at  
our next monthly meeting  
At a monthly meeting of women friends held in  
**Dartmouth** 17<sup>th</sup> 2<sup>d</sup><sub>mo</sub> 1806  
the friends appointed to attend this meeting from  
the South preparative meeting **Mercy Shephe[r]**  
& **Ruth Davis** from the North **Freelove Gifford &**  
**Hannah Tucker** all present  
the friends appointed to attend the marriage  
of **Sherman Slead & Elizabeth Howland Jame[s]**  
**Howland & Edeth Howland** report they attended  
& discovered nothing but that it was orderly  
conducted. - - - **Catherine Wing** Daughter  
of **John** forwarded a few lines to this meeting  
requesting to be received into membership with  
friends likewise **John Wing** & wife requests friends  
care for their Children Namely **Pardon Patience**  
**Abigale Jemima John & Almy Elizabeth**  
**Howland & Mercy Slocum** are appointed to Join the  
men friends in visiting of the famely on account  
of their request for & report when ready  
**Jonathan Wood** & Wife requests friend  
Care for their Children Namely **Elizebeth**  
**Mehetable & Edith Sarah Slocum**  
& **Sarah Howland** are appointed to inspect  
into the Sincerity of Said request & they to  
report when ready  
we have received a few Lines from the

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Monthly meeting at **Penn** in return for the Copy

of a minnit with which **Mary Smith** was firnishd  
by this meeting  
this meeting is informd that **Mary Kees** has  
removd with her husband to Live within Compass  
of **Penn** monthly meeting & requests our Certificate  
**Hannah Tucker & Rhoda Tucker** are appointed  
to prepair one & bring to the Next monthly  
meeting if nothing appears to hinder  
**Zepheniah Slead & Anna Gifford** publishd  
their Intention of marriage in this meeting  
& were refird to the men **Jerusha Smith &**  
**Phebe Tucker** are appointed to inspect into  
**Anna Gifford** Clearness respecting marrage  
& they to report at our next monthly meeting  
At a monthly meeting of women friends held in  
**Dartmouth** 17<sup>th</sup> 3<sup>d</sup><sub>mo</sub> 1806  
the friends appointed to attend thus meeting from the South  
preparative meeting **Mary Tucker & Rachel Sandford**  
from the North **Rhoda Tucker & Jerusha Smith** all present  
the friends appointed to inspect into the sincerity of  
**Catherine Wing** Daughter of **John** request report they  
found a good degree of satisfaction it is theirfore the  
conclusion of this meeting to receive her into member  
=ship with us the men friends uniteing theirwith  
the friends appointed to inspect into **Anna Giffords**  
clearness respecting marriage report they find nothing  
to hinder her proceeding  
the Queries & answers with the accounts have been read  
approved & in this meeting & forwarded to the Quarterly  
meeting by our friends **Ruth Davis Lucy Howland**  
& **Phebe Tucker** who are appointed as representatives  
to attend the same & they to report at our next monthly  
meeting  
the friends appointed to inspect visit **John Wing** & famely  
on account of their request report they found a good degree  
of Satisfaction it is theirfore the conclusion of this & the

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Company & married out of the order of  
freinds Likewise had a Child Soon after marriag[e]  
it is therefore the Conclusion of this & the mens  
meeting to Disown her from any right of member  
ship amongst friends **Phebe Tucker & Hannah**  
**Tucker** are appointed to Draw a Denial & bring  
to our next monthly metting

A Certificate for **Ebenezar Chase & wife Mary** with their Children **Hannah Marthia & Seabry** was read and Signd in this & the mens meeting recommending them to the monthly meeting at **New Bedford**

At a monthly meeting of women friend held in **Dartmouth** 16<sup>th</sup> 6<sup>mo</sup> 1806  
the friends appointed to attend this from the South preparitive meeting are **Mercy Sheephard & Mary Wing** from the North **Jedidah Mosher & Patience Potter** all present  
the Queries & Answers to the usial three with the accompts have been read approvd & Signd in this meeting & forward to the Quarterly meeting by our friend **Deborah Howland & Sarah Mosher** who are appointed as representativ[es] to atteng the Same & they to report to our next monthly meeting  
**Ruth Jays** Denial has been read approvd & Singnd in this and the mens meeting **Paitience Potter** is to Cause Said paper to be publickly read between this & the next monthly meeting & retirnd to the Clerk to go on record.  
Collected in the North preparetive meeting 6<sup>s</sup>/2  
At a monthly meeting of women friends held in **Dartmouth** 20<sup>th</sup> 7<sup>mo</sup> 1806  
the friend appointed to attend this meeting from the South preparitive meeting are **Elizbeth**

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**Howland & Deborah Howland** from the North **Mary Hart & Frelove Gifford** all preasent the friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting report they all attended  
**Ruth Joys** Denial has been read publickly & is as follows  
**Ruth Joy** haveing had her Education among<sup>st</sup> us but through Inattention to the principals of truth hath so far Departed therefrom as to marry out of the good order of friend & has fell into the Sin of fornication as appears by her having a Child Soon after marriage & for the Clearing of truth & friends from Such Disorderly Conduct we are Concerned to give this forth hereby Disowning her the S<sup>d</sup> **Ruth** from being any longer a member of our Society untill She Should be righly favoured to see her outgoing return & Sincerely Condemn the Same

given forth at our monthly meeting of friends  
held in **Dartmouth** 16<sup>th</sup> 6<sup>mo</sup> 1806

**Joseph Estes**} Clerk for the Day  
**Sarah Wood**}

we have received Extracts from the minits  
of our yearly meeting Likwise transcripts  
of Epistles from **Philadelphia & New York**  
which was read in this meeting to Satisfaction  
At a monthly meeting of womens friends held in  
**Dartmouth** 18<sup>th</sup> 8<sup>m</sup> 1806  
the friends appointed to attend this meeting from the  
South preparative meeting **Anna Eddy & Mercy**  
**Shepherd** from the North **Jedidah Mosher &**  
**Mehetable Wood** all present – indorsed a  
Coppoy of the minit for **Polly Gifford** which She  
brought to this meeting Some time past

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At a monthly meeting of women friend held in  
**Dartmouth** 15<sup>th</sup> 9<sup>mo</sup> 1806  
the frinds appointed to attend this meeting from  
the South preparative meeting are **Anna Eddy**  
**& Patience Sheephard** from the North **Rhoda**  
**Tucker & Sarah Buffington** all preasent  
the Queris & Answers withe the accomtst havg  
been read approvd & Signd in meeting & forwarded  
to the Quarterly meeting by our friends **Desire**  
**Howland Mary Tucker & Anna Sherman**  
who are appointed as representatives to attend  
the Same & they to report to our next monthly  
meeting  
this meeting that **Mary Aallen** formerly  
**Russell** has married out of the order of friends  
which is refird another month -----  
**Sarah Wood 2<sup>d</sup>** is appointed to Join the former  
Committee in preparing a Certificate for **Abigai[]**  
**Chase**

At a Monthly meeting of women friend held  
in **Dartmouth** 20<sup>th</sup> - 10<sup>th</sup> - 1806  
the friends appointed to attend this meeting from the  
South preparative meeting are **Sarah Wood &**  
**Rachel Sandford** from the North **Sar<sup>a</sup>h Mosher**  
**& Patience Potter** all preasent  
the friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting  
report they all attended Except **Desire** for which  
She rendered Satisfactory reasons  
it is the Conclusions of this meeting to Disown  
**Mary Allen** wife of **Thomas** the mens meeting

uniting therewith **Elizabeth Howland** is appointed to inform **Mary Allen** of her Denial & report to next monthly meeting

**205**

**Rhoda Mott** report She has Informd **Ester Shaw** of her Denial. **Hannah Sherman** wife of **Caleb** forwarded a few Lines to this meeting Condemning her misconduct **Anna Eddy & Mary Tucker** are appointed to inspect into the State of her mind & they to report when ready

A Certificate for **Abigail Chase** wife of **Abner** was read approv'd & Sign'd in this & the mens meeting Directed the monthly meeting at **westland** in **washington County** in **Pensylvania**

At a monthly meeting of women friend held in **Dartmouth** 17<sup>th</sup> 11<sup>mo</sup> 1806 the friends appointed to attend this meeting from the South preparative meeting are **Rachel Sandford & Anna Eddy** from the North **Jerusha Smith Phebe Tucker** not p<sup>re</sup>esent the Queres & Answers to the usual three with the accompts have been read approv'd & Sign'd in meeting & forwarded to the Quarterly meeting by our friend **Hannah Sarah Wood 2<sup>d</sup> & Phebe Easton** who are appointed as representatives to attend the Same & they to report to our next monthly meeting

At a monthly meeting of women friends held in **Dartmouth** 15<sup>th</sup> 12<sup>mo</sup> 1806 the friends appointed to attend this meeting from the South preparative meeting **Rhobe Howland & Mary Wing** from the North **Freelove Gifford & Patience Potter** all peasent the friend appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting report they all attended reciv'd a Certificate from the monthly meeting at **Newpartners** on behalf of **Jemima Mabbet** was read & excepted in this & the mens meeting

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the friends appointed to inspect into the Sincerity of **Hannah Shermans** acknowledgment report they found good Satisfaction & believe her to be Sinclear therein it is therefore the Conclusion of

this meeting to receive her into membership  
again the men friend uniteing therewith  
this meeting is infirmd that **Edith Howland**  
wife of **James** has removed within the Compass  
of **New Bedford** monthly meeting & requests her  
Certificate **Sarah Wood & Mehtable Smith** are  
to prepare one & bring to our next monthly  
meeting if nothing appears to hinder

the friends in **Allens neck** requ<sup>e</sup>sts the favour of  
holding meetings amongst them untill the monthly  
meeting in the fourth month which is granted  
**Elizebeth Howland Sarah Slocum Lillis**  
**Gifford Bershaba** <sup>^Allen</sup> & **Jemima Mabbet** are  
appointed to Join the men friends in haveng the  
oversight of Said meeting & report when ended

Likewise a Simelar request from the freind in  
**Smiths Neck** is granted **Ruth Smith Desirs**  
**Howland Alce Anthony** are to Join the men  
friends in haveing the care of Said meeting &  
to report at the expiration of the time of holding  
them

At a monthly meeting of women friends held in  
**Dartmouth** 19<sup>th</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> mo 1807

the friends appointed to attend this meeting from  
the South prepartive meeting **Lucy Howland &**  
**Mary Smith** from the North **Jerush Smith**  
& **Hannah Tucker** all present  
**Mehtable Smith Mercy Wing Fre<sup>e</sup>love Giff[ord]**  
& **Hannah Tucker** are appointed overseers of the

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poor for the year insueing  
**Sarah Wood 2<sup>d</sup>** is appointed Clerk for the  
year insueing

At a monthly meeting of women friends  
held in **Dartmouth** 16<sup>th</sup> 2<sup>d</sup> mo 1807  
the friends appointed to attend this meeting  
from the South prepartive meeting **Mercy**  
**Shepherd & Mary Tucker** from the North  
**Abigele Russell & Rhoda Tucker** all  
present

this meeting is informd that **Patience**  
**White** formerly **Russell & Ester Divol**  
Formerly **Barker** has kept company &  
married out of the order of friends all  
which is referd an other month  
a certificate for **Edeth Howland** wife of  
**James** was read approved & Signd in this &  
the mens meeting recommending her to the

monthly meeting a **N Bedford**

At a monthly meeting of women friend held  
in **Dartmouth** 16<sup>th</sup> 3<sup>mo</sup> 1807  
the friend appointed to attend this meeting from the  
South preparative meeting are **Sarah Wood & Anna  
Eddy** from the North **Sarah Mosher & Frelove  
Gifford** all present  
the Queries & Answers with the acompts have  
been read approvd & Signd in this meeting & forward  
to the Quarterly meeting by our friends **Frelove  
Gifford Hannah Tucker & Lucy Howland** who are  
appointed as representatives to attend the Same  
& they to report to our next monthly meeting  
**Ester Devol** formerly **Barker** has kept Company  
& married out of the order of friends She being  
timely Labourd with on the account but our

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Labour not haveing the Desireid Effect it  
is the Conclution of this & the mens meeting  
to Disown her from any right of member  
Ship amongst friends. **Rhoda Tucker** is  
appointed to inform her of her Denial & report  
to our next monthly meeting  
Collected in the North preparative meeting  
6<sup>s</sup>/ this meeting unites with the men in  
receiving of **Barnabus Sherman George Sherm[an]  
& Abraham Russell** into membership with  
friends -----

1807 At a monthly meeting of women friend  
held in **Dartmouth** the 20<sup>th</sup> 4<sup>m</sup> 1807  
the friends appointed to attend this meeting from  
the South preparative meeting are **Mary Wing  
& Lucy Howland** from the North **Jerusha  
Smith & Jedidah Mosher** all present  
the friends appointed to attend the Quarterly  
meeting reported they all attended  
**Rhoda Tucker** informs that **Ester Devol** is  
inform<sup>d</sup> of her Denial  
**Nancy Olds** forwarded a few lines to this  
meeting Condemning her marring out of the  
order of friends **Rhoda Tucker & Mary Wing**  
are appointed to Inspect into the Sincerity  
thereof & report when ready  
**Abigail Russell & Allen Russell** & family  
is removd within the Compass of **N Bedford**



monthly meeting & requests our Certificate  
**Jerush Smith & Patience Potter** are appointed

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to Join the men friend in preparing them & bring  
to the next monthly if nothing appears to hinder  
**Patience Potter Jerusha Smith Elizabeth Howland  
Ruth Davis & Mary Tucker** are appointed overseers  
of Disorders for the year Insuing  
the friend that had the Care of the meeting in  
**Allens Neck** report they Discovered nothing but  
that they were orderly Conducted  
Likewise a Simmiler report from the friends  
in **Smiths Neck**

this meeting unites with the men in Disowning  
**Gardner Potter** from among friends

1807 At a monthly meeting of momen friends held in  
**Dartmouth** 18<sup>th</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> mo 1807

the friends appointed to attend this meeting from the  
South prepartive meeting **Ruth S<sup>m</sup>ith & Lillis  
Gifford** from the North **Patience Potter & Elizabeth  
Gifford** all present

this meeting is informd from the overseers that  
**Elizabeth Gidley** is a keeping company with one not  
a member in an unbecomeing manner **Sarah  
Slocum & Lucy Howland** are appointed to labour  
with her on the account & they to report when  
ready - - - A Certificate for **Allen Russ**

=ell & wife **Abigale** with their Children **Meribah  
Meriah David Lemuel & Susanna** Likewise one  
for **Abigale Russell** was read approved & signd in  
this & the mens meting recommending them to  
the monthly meeting at **NBedford**

1807 At a monthly meeting of women friends held in  
**Dartmouth** 15<sup>th</sup> 6<sup>th</sup> mo 1807

the friends appointed to attend this meeting from the  
South prepartive meeting **Deborah Howland &  
Rachel Sandford** from the North **Jerusha Smith &  
all present** – this meeting appoints **Hannah  
Tucker** assistant clerk for the year insueing

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Collected in this meeting 1<sup>s</sup>/9<sup>d</sup>  
this meeting adjourns to the 22<sup>d</sup> of this month  
met agreeable to adjounment 22<sup>d</sup>- 6<sup>th</sup> 1807  
the representatives calld all present  
the Queries & answers to the usial three with the

accounts have been read approved & signed in this & meeting & forwarded to the Quarterly meeting by our friends **Rhoda Tucker Patience Shepher [Shepherd]** & **Deborah Howland** who are appointed as representatives to attend the same & they to report at our next monthly meeting

**Freeborn Shearman** forwarded a few lines to this meeting expressing a concern to become a member of our Society **Jerusha Smith & Ruth Davis** are appointed to inspect into the sincerity thereof & they to report when ready

A certificate from **N Bedford** monthly meeting on behalf of **Ebenezer Chase & wife Mary** with their children **Hannah Martha & Sebre** was read & accepted in this & the mens meeting

1806 At a monthly meeting of women friends held in

**Dartmouth** 20<sup>th</sup> 7<sup>th</sup> mo 1806

the friends appointed to attend this meeting from the South preparative meeting **Mercy Shepherd & Patience Shepherd** from the North **Jedidah Mosher & Sarah Buffington** all present the friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting report they all attend[ed] we have received transcripts of Epistles from **Philadelphia & New York** which was read in this meeting to our Satisfaction

this meeting unites with the men in receiving of **Samuel Smith Hart** son of **Joseph** into membership with friends

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this meeting unites with the report from **Comans [Coemans]** monthly meeting respecting of **Abphia Lasons** acknowledgment & conclude to receive them into membership with us Likewise **Nancy Olds** acknowledgment is received the men concurring theirwith **Mary Tucker & Hannah Tucker** are appointed to prepare a certificate for **Abphia Lason** & bring to the next monthly meeting

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At a monthly meeting of women friends held in **Dartmouth** the 17<sup>th</sup> 8<sup>mo</sup> 1807

the friends appointed to attend this meeting from the South preparative meeting are **Mary Wing & Hannah Sherman**, from the North **Mehetable Tucker & Sarah Mosher** all present

this meeting is informed that **Hannah Russell** widow has removed to live within the Compass of **N. Bedford** monthly meeting & requests our Certificate **Hannah Sherman & Anna Sherman** are appointed to prepare one & bring to our next monthly meeting if nothing appears to hinder

this meeting is informed that **Hannah Jourden** formerly **Howland** has kept Company & married out of the order of freinds it is therefore the Conclusion of this meeting to Disown her from any right of membership among friends the mens meeting uniteing therewith a Certificate for **Abthiah Lason** was read approvd & Signd in this & the mens meeting Directed to the monthly meeting at **Coemans** **Patience White** hath Sent a few lines to this meeting Condemning her marrying out of the order of friends **Sarah Howland** & **Ruth Davis** are appointed to inspect into the Sincerity thereof & report when ready **Jemma Mabbet** is appointed to inform **Hannah Jourden** of her Denial

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1807 At a monthly meeting of women friends held in **Dartmouth** the 21<sup>st</sup> 9<sup>mo</sup> 1807 the friend appointed to attend this meting from the South prepartive meeting **Mehetable Slocum** & **Lucy Howland** from the North **Rhoda Tucker** & **Sarah Buffington** all preasent according to appointment **Jem'ma Mabbet** has informd **Hannah Jorden** of her Denial the Queries & Answers to the Usial three with the accompts have been read approvd & Signd in this meeting & forarded to the Quarterly meeting by our friends **Sarah Biffin gton [Buffington]** & **Anna Eddy** who are appointed as representatives to attend the Same & they to report to our next monthly meeting this meeting unites with the men in receiveing of **Thomas Smith** into membership with friends **Hannah Gifford** requests a removeal certivicate to **Sidney** monthly meeting **Alce Ricketson** & **Hannah Tucker** are appointed to prepare one & bring to our next monthly meeting if nothing appears to hinder – the friends appointed to inspec[t] into the cincerity of **Freeborn Shearmans** request report they beleve her to be sincere theirin its therefore the conclusion of this meeting to receive her into membership with friend the mens meetg uniteing theirwith a certificate for **Hannah Russell** widow was read approved & signd in this & the mens meeting recomme ..nding her to the monthly meeting at **NBedford**

1807 At a monthly meeting of women friends held in **Dartmouth** the 19<sup>th</sup> 10<sup>m</sup> 1807 the friends appointed to attend this meeting from the South preparative meeting are **Lillis Gifford & Elizebeth Howland** from the North **Freelove Gifford & Jedidah Mosher** all present the friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting report they all attended this meeting is informd that **John Buffington Jun<sup>r</sup>** proposes to publish his intentions of marriage with **Mary Hart** in this meeting this meeting unites with the mens in disown<sup>ing</sup> of **Increase Smith** the friends appointed to labour with **Elizebeth Gidley** on account of her misconduct report they found her in no Dispotion to refrain therefrom it is therefore the Conclution of this meeting to Disown her from any right of membership amongst friends the mens meeting uniteing therewith - - **Mary Wood** is appointed to inform her of her Denial & report at our next monthly meeting  
A Certificate for **Hannah Gifford** wife of **William** was read approvd approvd & Signd in this & the mens meeting Directed to the monthly meeting at **Sidney**  
**John Buffington Jun<sup>r</sup> & Mary Hart** Publishd their Intentions of marriage in this meeting & were refird to the men **Jerusha Smith & Mary Tucker** are appointed to inspect into **Mary Harts** Clearness respecting marriage & they to report at our next monthly meeting  
Collected in the South preparative meeting  
4<sup>s</sup>/1<sup>d</sup>

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At a monthly meeting of women freinds held in **Dartmouth** the 16<sup>th</sup> 11<sup>mo</sup> 1807 the freinds appointed to attend this meeting from the South preparative meeting are **Rachle Sandford & Patience Shephard [Shepherd]** from the North **Ruth Mosher & Phebe Tucker** all present **Elizebeth Gidley** is informd of her Denial the freinds appointed to inspect into **Mary Hart** Clearness respecting marriage report

they find nothing to hinder her from proceeding  
Queries & Answers to the Usial three with the  
accounts have been read approvd & Signd in this  
meeting & forwarded to the Quarterly meeting by  
our friends **Ruth Davis Elizebith Howland**  
& **Mercy Wing** who are appointd as represen  
tatives to attend the Same & they to report our  
next monthly meeting

**John Buffington Jun<sup>r</sup>** & **Mary Hart** appeared  
for their answer nothing hinder their proceeding in  
marriage according to Disipline were refird to the  
men **Rhoda Tucker** & **Jerusha Smith** are appoint<sup>ed</sup>  
to have the oversight of Said marriage & they to  
report to our next monthly meeting

Collected in the South preparative meeting  
3<sup>s</sup>/11<sup>d</sup>

At a monthly meeting of women friends held  
in **Dartmouth** 20<sup>th</sup> 12<sup>mo</sup> 1807  
the freind appointed to attend this meeting from  
the South preparative meeting are **Mehetable**  
**Slocum** & **Mary Wood** from the North **Sarah**  
**Mosher** & **Hannah Tucker** all present

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the friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting  
report they all attended except **Ruth Davis** She  
rendered Satisfactory reasons for her Not attending  
the friends appoinded to have the oversight of the  
marriage of **John Buffington Jun<sup>r</sup>** & **Mary Hart**  
report they attended & Discovered nothing but that  
it was orderly Conducted

the freinds appointed to inspect into the Sincerity  
of **Patience Whites** acknowledgment report they  
believe her to be Sincere therein it is therefore  
the Conclusion of this meeting to recive the Same  
for Satisfaction the mens meeting uniteing there  
with

this meeting is informd that **Holder Smith** to  
Publish his intention of marriage with **Eliza**  
**Gifford** in this meeting

**Anna Eddy** & **Hannah Tucker** are appointed to  
prepare a Certificate fo **Patience** & bring to our  
next monthly meeting

**Holder Smith** & **Elize Gifford** published  
their intentions of marriage in this meeting  
& were refird to the mens. **Elizebeth Howland**  
& **Sarah Wood** are appointed to inspect into **Eliza**  
**Gifford** Clearness respecting marriage & they report  
to our next monthly meeting

the friends in **Allens Neck** requests the favour of  
holding meetings in their neighbourhood the

insueing four months which request is granted  
**Sarah Slocum Lillis Gifford Jemima Mabbet &  
Elizabeth Howland** are appointed to join the  
men friends in haveing the oversite of said  
meetings Likewise a request from the friends  
in **Smiths Neck** for holding meetings among  
them usial which is granted **Mary Smith  
Sarah Howland Ailce Anthony & Ruth Smith**

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are appointed to join the men friends in havei[ng]  
the oversite of said meetings & they to report in  
the expiration of the time of holding them  
a certificate from the monthly at **Sidny** on  
bhalf on behalf of **Polly Gifford** wife of **Elihu**  
was excepted in this & the mens meeting  
our friend **Mary Mi'chel** communication  
was read in this meeting we trust to the  
srenghthening of many minds & to good  
Satisfaction & is as follows

[much larger print]

Some Thoughts,  
On the Qulification and work of an  
E<sup>l</sup>der in the church of christ.  
[end much larger print]

The work of an Elder in the Church of Christ,  
appears to be very waty & not to be moved in,  
but as the mind is brought under a right Concern,  
& influenced by that wisdam which gives a righ  
understanding in those things that belong to there  
office, To take the oversight of the flock. &  
to Judge of the ministry, requires, that Such  
as are Selected from those Sameuses should be  
well grounded in religion, & acquainted with  
the mystery of Godlyness; it r<sup>e</sup>quires a deep  
going down to feel after the mind of truth  
in all their movements; it requires Clear  
Discerning, & Sound Judgment, it requires Deep  
humility of h<sup>e</sup>art, it requires the divine  
anointing, & without a portion thereof the  
Duties of their office cannot be discharged to  
the honour of truth, nor to the Edification  
of the Church, for without these Quallification

they are likely to Err both in Judgment & Conduct,  
& their being Set forward in religious Society exposes  
them rather more to Same peculiar temptation,  
& I fear hath lifted Some up to think more highly  
of themselves that they ought where this is the Case  
they are very likely to Err respecting the ground of  
ministry though they may be capable to Judge of  
words whether they agree with Sound Doctrine or not  
but if th<sup>e</sup>y go not down & travail in Spirit with  
those that minister they cannot know from what  
Spring the words flow & for want of this knowledg  
they are Likely to Err in Judgment & instead of  
helping forward the true birth become the means  
of Stifling or Slaying of it & for want of Clear  
Dicerning & Sound Judgment they may Err by  
nursing a false birth & if their is not a dwelling  
in deep humiliation there is Danger of Erring in  
Conduct & instead of being ensamples to the flock  
they be tempted to Lord it over the heritage when  
I consider the weigh & Importance of the work  
confided to the Elders this Query arises in my mind  
who is Sufficient for these things for Such  
weighty Services the Sufficiency must be of God  
or the work cannot be rightly done for without  
a divine perception they cannot be Quallified to  
discern & give the liveing Child to the right  
mother & if their is not wisdom and Skill to use  
the Sniffers with Judgment & Discretion they may  
Extiguish the light when they ought only to  
remove that which obstructs its brightness that  
it may Shine with Greater clearness if the  
Selection for this weighty Service is made in &  
by the church when under the Divine influence no  
Dout but the right will be named & the Lot  
rest upon the rightly Quallified & these Dwelling

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In that which gives ability to Labour in the  
Church of Christ can Speak a word in Season to  
them that are ready to faint

On looking over the advices of our yearly meeting  
of ministers & Elders in the year 1755 I find  
the following lines which appear to me worthy  
to be transcribed & with which I Close this  
little Essay. viz & when the Elders appointed  
to assist them & have the oversight of the flock

have faithfully followed the heavenly leading  
they have been **Aaron & hur** to the ministry  
in Strengthening there hands to war with the  
Enemies of god Isreal & leading the people on  
their way from victory to victory open their  
Enemies into the dominion of truth

8<sup>mo</sup> 1807

**Mary Mitchell**

1<sup>st</sup> mo 19<sup>th</sup>  
1808

At a montly meeting of women friends held  
in **Dartmouth** 18<sup>th</sup> 1<sup>th</sup> mo 1808

the friends appointed to attend this meeting from  
the South preparetive meeting **Mary Tucker**  
& **Hannah Shearman** from the North **Rho[da]**  
**Tucker & Sarah Mosher** all present

nothing appears to hinder **Eliza Giffords** proceeding  
in marriage

**Ester Shearman** Sent a few lines to this meet[ing]  
condemning her misconduct **Rhoda Tucker** &  
**Sarah Mosher** are appointed to inspect into the  
Sincerety theirof & they to report when ready  
this meeting unites with the men in receiveing of  
**Edward Taber & Benjamin Hart** into member  
=ship with friends

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**Holder Smith & Eliza Gifford** appear for  
their answer <sup>^nothing</sup> appearing to hinder their proceeding  
according to disepline were referd to the men  
**Mary Tucker & Sarah Wood 2<sup>d</sup>** are appoin  
ted to have the oversite of said marriage &  
they to report at our next monthly meeting  
a Certificate for **Patience White** wife of **Phillip** was  
read approvd & Signd in this & the mens meeting  
Directed to the monthly meeting at **NBedford**

At a monthly meeting of women friends held in  
**Dartmouth** 15<sup>th</sup> 2<sup>d</sup> mo 1808

2<sup>d</sup> m 15<sup>th</sup>  
1808

the friends appointed to attend this meeting from the  
South preparetive meeting **Sarah Wood & Anna**  
**Eddy** from the North **Frelove Gifford & Phebe**  
**Tucker** all present - - - the friends appointed  
to have the oversite of the marriage of **Holder Smith**  
& **Eliza Gifford** report they attended & discovered nothing  
but that it was orderly conducted

**Brice Shepherd** requested a certificate for himself &  
famely to the monthly meeting at **Easton Mary**  
**Tucker & Anna Eddy** are appointed to join the  
men friends in Prepareing one and biring to the next  
monthly meeting if nothing appears to hinder  
**Patience Shepherd** haveing gone on A visit within the  
compas of **Ninepartner** monthly & requests a few lines  
from this these may certefy on her behalf that She  
is a member of this meeting & in good unety the clerk  
is directed to furnish her with a copy of this minit



**Sarah Wood 2<sup>d</sup>** is appointed Clerk for the year insueing  
**Wilber Gifford** requests friends care for his children  
**Elizabeth Howland & Lillis Gifford** are appointed to join  
the men friends in visiting of the famely in order to  
discover the sincerety their of & they to report when ready  
a certificate for **Edward Taber** was read approved &  
Signd in this and the mens meeting directed to the  
monthly meeting at **NBedford**

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*3<sup>rd</sup> m 21<sup>st</sup>  
1808*

At a Monthly Meeting of women friends held  
in **Dartmouth** 21<sup>th</sup> 3<sup>m</sup> 1808  
the frinds appointed to attend this meeting from the South  
preparative meeting **Rachel Sandford & Lucy Howlan<sup>d</sup>**  
from the North **Rhoda Tucker & Patience Potter**  
all preasent  
the Queries & Answers with the accomtnt have been  
read approvd & Signd & forwarded to the Quarterly meetg  
by our friends **Lucy Howland Phebe Tucker & Sarah  
Slocum** who are appointed to attend the Same  
& they to report next month  
**Nicholas Lapham** requests a certificate for himself  
& family to the monthly meeting at **Easton Hannah  
Tucker Anna Eddy** are appointed to Join the  
men frind in preparing one & bring to the next  
monthly meeting if nothing appears to hinder  
the friends appointed to inspect into the Sincerity of  
**Easter Sherman** acknowledgment report they found  
pretty good Satisfaction it is therefore the Conclusion  
of this & the mens meeting to accept the Same for  
Satisfaction A Ccopy of the minnits from  
**N: Bedford** monthly meeting on behalf of **Hannah  
Taber** was forwarded to this meeting  
Collected in the South preparative meeting 3<sup>s</sup>-9<sup>d</sup>  
**Mary Wing Mehetable Slocum Phebe Tucker  
Anna Eddy Tucker & Ruth Smith** are appointe<sup>d</sup>  
overseers havr[?] for the year insueing  
a Certificate for **Abner Gifford** directed to the  
monthly meeting at **wistport [Westport]** & one for **george  
Sherman** directed to the monthly meeting **NBedford**  
was read approvd & Signd in this & the mens meeting

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*4<sup>th</sup> m 18<sup>th</sup>  
1808*

At a monthly meeting of women friends held in  
**Dartmouth** 18<sup>th</sup> 4<sup>th</sup><sub>mo</sub> 1808  
the friends appointed to attend this meeting from the South  
preparitive meeting **Roby Howland & Elizabeth Howland**

from the North **Elizabeth Gifford & Ruth Hart** all present the friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting report they all attended

**Elizabeth Gifford** wife of **Wilber** & Daughter **Mary** Sent a few lines to this meeting requesting to become members of our Society **Anna Eddy & Lucy Howland** are appointed to inspect into the Sincerety of Said request & they to report when ready

**Rebecca Little** hath forwarded a paper to this meeting expressing a desire to be received into membership with friends **Elizabeth Gifford & Mary Tucker** are appointed to inspect into the sincerety their of & they to report when ready

the friends appointed to visit **Wilber Gifford** & famely on account of ~~their~~ a request for their Children

**Thomas Ester Hen<sup>ry</sup> Cannon Canon & Elijah** report they found Some Satisfaction it is therefore the conclusion of this & the mens meeting to receive them into membership with friends

the friends that had the care of the meeting in **Allens Neck** report they have all been attended & in a good degree orderly & by the most of friends likewise a simelar report from the friends in **Smiths Neck** Collected in the South prepartive meeting 10<sup>s</sup>/1<sup>d</sup>

5<sup>th</sup> mo 17 At a monthly meeting of women friends held in

1808 **Dartmouth** 17<sup>th</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> mo 1808

the friends appointed to attended this meeting from the South prepartive meeting **Anna Eddy & Mary**

**Tucker** all present A certificate for **Nicholas Lapham** & wife **Lydia** with their Daughter **Phila** was read approved & signd in this & the mens meeting recomme nding them to the monthly meeting at **Easton Caronelius Howland & Rebeckah Smith** published

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their intention of marriage in this meeting & w[ere] referd to the men **Lucy Howland & Sarah Wood 2<sup>d</sup>** are appointed to inspect into **Rebeckah Smiths** clearness respecting marriage & they to report at our ready monthly meeting

**Anna Howland** forwarded a fewlines to this mee[ting] requesting to be received into membership with friends **Mercy Slocum & Mehetable Slocum** are appointed to inspect into the sincerety of said request & they to report when ready the case in regard to **Rebeckah Little** is still referd an other month

6<sup>th</sup><sub>m</sub> 20<sup>th</sup>  
1808

this meeting is informed that **Hannah Cram** [?] formerly **Chase** has married out of the order of friends it is their fore the conclusion of this and the men meeting to disown her from any rite of membership amongst friends **Anna Eddy** is to inform her of her denial & she to report at our next monthly meeting At a monthly meeting of women friends appointed held in **Dartmouth** 20<sup>th</sup> 6<sup>th</sup><sub>mo</sub> 1808 the friends appointed to attend this meeting from the South preparative meeting **Mercy Shepherd & Mehetable S**[?] from the North **Phebe Tucker & Sarah Buffington** all present the friends appointed to inspect into **Rebeckah Smith** clearness respecting marriage report they find nothing to hinder their proceeding **Anna Eddy** informd **Hannah Cran** [?] of her denial the friends appointed to inspect into the sincerety of the requests of **Anna Howland** wife of **Daniel & Rebeckah Little** wife of **Nathaniel** report they found good satisfac[tion] & believe them to be sincear theirin it is theirfore the Conclusion of this & the mens meeting to receive them into membership with friends

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the Queries & answers to the usual three with the accounts have been read approved & Sind [Signed] in this meeting & forwardd to the Quarterly meeting by our friends **Sarah Buffington Deborah Howland & Hannah Shearman** whome we appoint as representatives to attend the same & they to report at our next monthly meeting - - - **Caronelius Howland & Rebeckah Smith** appeared for their answer nothing appearing to hinder their proceeding in marriage betwee this & the next monthly meeting observeing the good order of friends & were referd to the men **Mercy Slocum Lucy Howland & Sarah Wood 2<sup>d</sup>** are appointed to have the oversite of Said marriage & they to report at our next monthly meeting

7<sup>th</sup><sub>m</sub> 18<sup>th</sup>  
1808

At a monthly meeting of women friends held in **Dartmouth** 18<sup>th</sup> 7<sup>th</sup><sub>mo</sub> 1808 the friends appointed to attend this meeting from the South preparative meeting **Mary Wood & Mehetable Slocum** from the North **Frelove Gifford & Patience Potter** all present the friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting report they all attended we have received transcripts of Epistles from **Philadelphia & Newyork** which was in this meeting to satisfaction the friends appointed to attend the marriag of **Caronelius S Howland & Rebeckah Smith** report they all attended except **Sarah Wood** & they discovered nothing but that it was orderly conducted a certificate from **N Bedford** monthly meeting on

behalf of **Seth Maxfield** was excepted in this & the mens meeting  
**Hannah Tucker** is appointed assistant clerk for the year insueing  
the friends appointed to inspect into the sincerety of **Elizabe -th Gifford** & Daughter **Mary** request report they found good satisfaction it is theirfore the conclusion of this & the mens meeting to receive them into ~~menship~~ <sup>membership</sup> with friends

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At a monthly meeting of women friend held in  
Held in **Dartmouth** 15<sup>th</sup> 8<sup>th</sup><sub>mo</sub> 1808  
the friends appointed to attend this meeting from the South preparative meeting **Mary Smith & Hannah Shearman** from the North **Jedidah Mosher & Jerusha Smith** all present  
**Esther Shearman** has removed to live with her husband within the compas of **westport** monthly meeting & requests our certificate **Hannah Tucker & Phebe Tucker** are appointed to prepare one & bring to the next monthly meeting if nothing appe

=ars to hinder  
reckoned & Setled with the treasuery & their remains in Stock 1<sup>£</sup>-2<sup>s</sup>-2<sup>d</sup>  
this meeting unites with the men in receiveing of **Joseph Laphams** acknowledgment to Satisfaction

9<sup>th</sup><sub>m</sub> 19  
1808

At a monthly meeting of women friends held in **Dartmouth** 19<sup>th</sup> 9<sup>th</sup><sub>mo</sub> 1808  
the friends appointed to attend this meeting from the South preparative **Mary Wing & Ruth Sm[ith]** from the North **Rhoda Tucker & Jedidah Mos[her]** all present - - - the Queries & answers to the three with the accounts have been read approved & signd & forwarded to the Quarterly meeting by our friends **Mary Tucker Rhoda Tucker & Desire Howla[nd]** whome we appoint as as representatives to attend the Same & they to report at our next monthly meeting  
**Tabethy Gifford** forwarded a few lines to this meeting expressing a concern to become a member of our society  
**Sarah Potter & Mary Wing** are appointed to inspect into the sincerety of Said request & they to report when ready  
**Mary Smith** widow informd this meeting that she hath a prospect of makeng a visit with her Children within the Compas of **perue [Peru]** monthly

meeting & requests a copy of the minutes this may certify on her behalf that She is a member of this meeting the Clerk is directed to furnish her with a copy - - - a certificate for **Esther Shearm** =an wife of **Presberry** was read approved & signed in this ^ & the mens meeting & directed to the monthly meeting at **westport**

10<sup>th</sup> m 17  
1808

At a monthly meeting of friends held in **Dartmouth** 17<sup>th</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> mo 1808 the friends appointed to attend this meeting from the South preparative meeting **Ruth Davis & Sarah Slocum** from the North **Sarah Buffington & Hannah Tucker** all present the friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting report they all attend the friends appointed to inspect into the sincerity of **Tabethy Gifford** request report they believe her to be sincere therein it is therefore the conclusion of this & the mens meeting to receive her into membership with friends this meeting unites with the men in receiving of **Elijah Booth** into membership with friends our friend **Sarah Gifford's** advice to friends which She left to be read after her decease was read in this meeting we believe to the Comfort & Strengthening of many minds

11<sup>th</sup> m 21<sup>st</sup>  
1808

At a monthly meeting of women friends held in **Dartmouth** 21<sup>st</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> mo 1808 the friends appointed to attend this meeting from the South preparative **Mercy Shepherd & Anna Eddy** from the North **Jerusha Smith & Frelove Gifford** all present the Queries & answers to the usual three with the account[t] have been read approved & signed in this & the mens meeting & forwarded to the Quarterly meeting by our friends **Ruth Davis Phebe Tucker & Sarah Wood 2<sup>d</sup>** whom we appoint as representatives to attend the same & they to report at our next monthly meeting

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## 226

**Edith Case** Sent an acknowledgment to this meet<sup>g</sup> Condemning her misconduct, **Ruth Davis & Phebe Tucker** are appointed to write to **HUDSON** monthly meet<sup>[g]</sup> on her behalf. This meetg is informed that **Mary Buffington** requests a removal certificate to the monthly meet,<sup>g</sup> at **Somerset Free love Gifford & Anna Eddy** are appointed to prepare one & bring to our next monthly meet,<sup>g</sup> if Nothing appears to

hinder

12<sup>th</sup> m 19  
1808

At a monthly meet.<sup>g</sup> of women friend held in **Dartm** 19<sup>th</sup> 12<sup>mo</sup> 1808 the friend appointed to attend this meet.<sup>g</sup> from the South preparative meet.<sup>g</sup> are **Lucy Howland & Desire Howland**, from the North **Phebe Tucker & Jedidah Mosher** all present except **Jedidah Mosher**.  
the friend appointed the Quarterly meet.<sup>g</sup> report they all attended, a Certificate for **Mary Buffington** wife of **John** was read approved & Signed in this & the mens meet.<sup>g</sup>, recommending her to the monthly meet.<sup>g</sup> at **Swanzy** Likewise one for **Bruce Sheepherd [Shepherd]** & family wife **Elizabeth** & their Son **Barnabus** was read approved & Signed in this & the mens meet.<sup>g</sup> Directed to the monthly meet.<sup>g</sup> at **Saratoga**. the friends in **Allens Neck** requests the favour of holding meet.<sup>g</sup> in their neck the insuing four months to begin at **Peleg Slocum Elizebeth Howland Deborah Howland Mercy Wing & Lillis Gifford** are appointed to Join the men friend in having the oversight of Said meetings Likewise a request from the

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friend in **Smiths Neck** which is granted the meet.<sup>g</sup> to begin at **William Anthonys**, & appoint **Desire Howland**, this minnit is refird untill another month

1<sup>st</sup> m 16  
1809

At a Monthly Meet.<sup>g</sup> of women friends held [held] in **Dartm** 1<sup>mo</sup> 16<sup>th</sup> 1809, the friend appointed to this meetg from the South preparative are **Ruth Davis & Rachel Sandford**, from the North **Sarah Buffington Jerusha Smith** all present, **Ruth Smith Hannah Smith** are to Join the Last month Committee in having the oversight of Said meet.<sup>g</sup> & they to report at the Expiration of holding them  
**Paul Howland & Silvia Smith. Pardon gifford & Catherine Wing**. Publishd their intentions of marriage in this meetg & are refird to the men **Ruth Smith & Lucy Howland Sarah Potter** are appointed to inspect into the young women Clearness respecting marriage & they to report our next monthly meet.<sup>g</sup>

2<sup>nd</sup> m 20<sup>th</sup>  
1809

At a monthly meeting of friends held in **Dartmouth** 20<sup>th</sup> 2<sup>d</sup> mo 1809  
the friends appointed appointed to attend this meeting from the South preparative meeting **Anna Eddy & Mercy Shepherd** from the North **Frelove Gifford & Rhoda Tucker** all present. the friends appointed to inspect into **Catherine Wing & Silvia Smith** clearness respecting marriage report they find nothing

to hinder their proceeding **Paul Howland & Silvia Smith Pardon Gifford & Catherine Wing** appeared for their answer nothing appearing to hinder their proceeding ^in marriage between this & the next monthly they adviseing with the overseers & were referd to the men

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**Elizabeth Howland Lucy Howland Ruth Smith & Ruth Davis** are appointed to have the oversite of Said marriages & they to report at our next monthly meeting

*3<sup>rd</sup> 20<sup>th</sup>  
1809*

At a monthly meeting of women friends held in **Dartmouth** 20<sup>th</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup> mo 1809 the friends appointed to attend this meeting from the South preparative meeting **Phebe Easton & Ruth Davis** from the North **Sarah Buffington & jedidah Mosher** all present the friends appointed to attend the marriage of **Paul Howland & Silvia Smith Pardon Gifford & Catherine Wing** report they attended & discovered nothing but that it was orderly conducted the Queries & answers to the usial three[?] with the accounts have been read approved & Signd in this meeting & forwarded to the Quarterly meeting by our friends **Sarah Slocum Phebe Easton & Hannah Tucker** whome we appoint as representative to attend the Same & they to report at our next monthly meeting **Phebe Cranson** [**Cranston**?] Sent an acknowledgment to this meeting Condemning her misconduct which this meeting has so far as noticed as to rite[?] to the monthly meeting where She resides & they to make returns to this when ready

*4<sup>th</sup> 17<sup>th</sup>  
1809*

**Sarah Wood 2<sup>d</sup>** is appointed Clerk for the year insueing \_\_\_\_\_

At a monthly meeting of women friends held in **Dartmouth** 17<sup>th</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> mo 1809

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the friends appointed to attend this meeting from the South preparative meeting **Mary Wood & Mehetable Slocum** from the North **Ruth Mosher & Hannah Tucker** all present the friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting report they all attended this meeting is informd that **Elizabeth Russell**

has become the Mother of a Child in an unmarried State which this meeting took under consideration & is referd an other month

**Hannah Shearman [Sherman] Ruth Davis Elizabeth Howland & Jerusha Smith** are appointed oversers for the year Insueing — — — the friends the friends [*sic*] that had the care of the meetings in **Allens & Smiths neck** report they have been all kept up and generally attended by the most of friends & in a good degre ordely a Certificate from the monthly at **westport** on behalf of **Hannah Slead [Slade]** wife of **Caleb & son Peter Davis** was axcepted in this & the mens meeting this meeting unites with the men in receiveing of **Warren Gifford & Humphry Wilcox** into membership with friends

5<sup>th</sup> m 15<sup>th</sup>  
1809

At a monthly meeting of women friends held in **Dartmouth** 15<sup>th</sup> 5<sup>th</sup><sub>mo</sub> 1809 the friends appointed to attend this meeting from the South prepartive **Lucy Howland & Mercy Wing** from the North **Sarah Buffington & Phebe Tucker** all present — — — **Sarah Wood Rhoda Tucker & Lillis Gifford** are appointed to visit **Elizabeth Russell** on account of her misconduct & they to report when ready agreeable to our request the friends of **HUDSON** monthly meeting have taken the necessary care in regard to **Edith Case** & report they believe her to be Sincear theirin it is theirfore the conclution of this & the mens meeting to receive her into membership with friends

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**Edith Russell Desire Howland Sarah Buffington Phebe Tucker & Lillis Gifford** are appointed overseers of the poor for the year insueing **Ester Gifford** overseer of disorders — — — a certificate from the monthly meeting at **westport** on behalf of **Phebe Anthony** wife of **Humphry** was excepted in this & the mens meeting **Stephen Mosher & Mercy Shepherd** Publishd the[ir] intention of marriage in this meeting & were referd to the men **Ruth Davis & Phebe Easton** are app[oint]-ed to inspect into **Mercy Shepherd** Clearness respecting marriage & they to report at our next monthly me[eting] **Sarah Wood & Sarah Wood 2<sup>d</sup>** are appointed to prepare a certificate for **Edith Case** & bring to our next monthly meeting



5<sup>th</sup><sub>mo</sub> 19  
1809 At a monthly meeting of women friends held in  
**Dartmouth** 19<sup>th</sup> 5<sup>th</sup><sub>mo</sub> 1809  
the friends appointed to attend this meeting from the  
South preparative meeting **Lillis Gifford & Ruth D[avis]**  
from the North **Rhoda Tucker & Hannah Tucker**  
all present – – – the Queries & answers to the [*illegible*]  
usual three with the accounts have been read approved  
& Signed in this meeting & forwarded to the Quarterly  
meeting by our friends **Sarah Mosher Rhoda Tucker**  
& **Desire Howland** whom we appoint as representa  
tives to attend the Same and they to report at our  
next monthly meeting  
the case in regard to **Elizabeth Russell** is still  
referred an other month under the Same friends care  
this meeting unites with the men in receiving of  
**Ricketson Slocum & Peleg W Slocum** acknowledgme[nt]  
this meeting is informed that **Elijah Gifford** & wife  
requests friends care for their Daughter **Lydia Lucy**

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**Howland & Jemima Mobbet** are appointed to inspect  
into the Sincerity of Said request & they to report  
when ready – – this meeting is informed that **Meribah**  
**Easton** is about to remove to live within the compas  
of **Rhode island** monthly meeting & requests our certificate  
**Anna Shearman [Sherman] & Ruth Davis** are appointed to prepare  
one & bring to our next monthly meeting if nothing  
appears to hinder  
**Stephen Mesher [Mosher] & Mercy Shepherd** appeared for  
their answer nothing appearing to hinder their  
proceeding in marriage between this & the next  
monthly meeting observing the good order of friends  
**Phebe Easton & Ruth Davis** are appointed to have the  
oversite of Said marriag & they to report at our next  
monthly meeting  
a certificate for **Edith Case** wife of **David** was read  
approved & Signed in this and the mens meeting  
recommending her to the monthly meeting at **Hudson**  
**Hannah Tucker** is appointe assistant clerk for the  
year insueing – – **Patience Potter & Sarah**  
**Mosher** are appointed overseers of disorders

7<sup>th</sup><sub>m</sub> 17<sup>th</sup>  
1809 At a monthly meeting of women friends held in  
**Dartmouth** 17<sup>th</sup> 7<sup>th</sup><sub>mo</sub>  
at a monthly meeting of women friends held in x  
the friends appointed to attend this meeting from the South  
preparative **Desire Howland & Mary Wood** from the  
North **Elizabeth Gifford & Phebe Tucker** all present  
the case in regard to **Elizabeth Russell** is still  
referred an other month –  
the friends appointed to inspect into the Sincerety  
of **Elijah Gifford** & wife request for their Daughter  
**Lydia** report they believe them to be sincear theirin

it is therefore the conclusion of this & the mens meeting  
to receive her into membership with friends  
the friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting  
report they all attended  
a certificate from the monthly meeting at **N Bedford [New Bedford]**  
on behalf of **Deborah Handy** wife of **John** was read &  
excepted in this & the mens meeting

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a Certificate for **Meribah Easton** recommending  
her to the monthly meeting at **Rhode island** was re[ad]  
approved & Signd in this & the mens meeting  
the appointed to attend the marriage of **Stephen**  
**Mosher & Mercy Shepherd** report they attended  
& discovered nothing but that it was orderly cond[ucted]  
Transcripts of Epistles from **Nyork [New York]** & **Philidelphia [Philadelphia]**  
together with the extracts of the Yearly meetings  
minits have been read in this meeting we trust to  
the Srengthening of many minds

*8<sup>th</sup> m 23<sup>rd</sup>  
1809*

At a monthly meeting of women friends held in  
**Dartmouth** 23<sup>rd</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> mo 1809  
the friends appointed to attend this meeting from the  
South preparative meeting **Ruth Davis & Lucy**  
**Howland** from the North **Sarah Mosher & Sarah**  
**Buffington** all present  
the case in regard to **Elizabeth Russell** is  
still referd an other month under the Same friends  
Care – – this meeting unites with the men in  
receiving of **Daniel Wings** acknowledgment to  
Satisfaction – – **Elizabeth Slocum** wife of  
**Peleg & Lydia Slocum** wife **Frederec** forward[e]d  
a few lines to this meeting requesting to be received  
into membership with friends **Sarah & Hannah**  
**Smith** are appointed to inspect into ~~membership~~  
the Sincerety of said requests & they to rpport when re[ady]  
**Nithaniel Potter & Sarah Wood** Publishd their in[ten]  
tion of marriage in this meeting & were referd to the  
men **Sarah Wood 2<sup>d</sup> & Lucy Howland** are appointed to  
inspect into **Sarah Wood** Clearness respecting mari[age]  
& they to report at our next monthly meeting

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*9<sup>th</sup> m 18  
1809*

At a monthly meeting of women friends held in  
**Dartmouth** 18<sup>th</sup> 9<sup>th</sup> mo 1809  
the friends appointed to attend this meeting from the  
South preparative meeting **Deborah Howland &**

**Mary Wing** from the North **Jedidah Mosher**  
& **Frelove Gifford** all present  
the friends appointed to inspect into **Sarah Wood**  
Clearness respecting marriage report they find nothing  
to her proceeding  
the case in regard to **Elizabeth Russell** is referd by  
the request of the men  
**Nathaniel Potter** & **Sarah Wood** appeard for their  
answer nothing appearing to hinder their Proceeding  
in marriage between this & the next monthly meeting  
were referd to the men **Lucy Howland** & **Sarah Wood 2<sup>d</sup>**  
are appointed to have the oversite of Said marriage &  
they to report at our next monthly meeting  
the Queries & answers to the usial three with the accoun[t]  
have been read approved & Signd in this meeting &  
& [sic] forwarded to the Quarterly meeting by our friends  
**Phebe Tucker Sarah Howland** & **Frelove Gifford**  
whome we appoint as representatives to attend the  
Same & they to report at our next monthly meeting  
**Ruth Nosher** [**Mosher**] forwarded a few lines to this meeting  
requesting be recived into membership with friends  
**Frelove Gifford** & **Hannah Tucker** are appointed to  
inspect into the Sincerety of Said request & they  
to report when ready

10<sup>th</sup> 16<sup>th</sup>  
1809

At A Monthly Meeting of women friend held in **Dartmouth**  
16<sup>th</sup> 10<sup>mo</sup> 1809  
the Representatives from the South prepartive meeting  
are **Anny Eddy** & **Mehetable Slocum** from the North  
**Rhoda Tucker** & **Hannah Tucker** all preasent  
the friends appointed to attend the marriage of

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**Nathaniel** & **Sarah Potter** report they attended  
and Disc[o]vered nothing but that it was orderly  
Conducted  
the representatives to attend the Quarterly meeting  
report they all attended  
the friends appointed to inspect into the Sinc[erity]  
of **Ruth Mosher** wife of **Joseph** request rep[ort]  
they believe her to be Sinclear therein it is therefore  
the Conclusion of this & the mens meeting to receivd  
her into membership with friend  
**Reubin Russell** & **Anna Sherman** Publishd  
their Intention of marriage in this meeting & were  
referd to the mens **P<sup>h</sup>ebe Tucker** & **Anny Eddy** are  
appointed to Inspect into **Anna Sherman** Clearness  
respecting marriage & they to report at our Next

monthly meeting

**Sarah Potter** wife of **Nathaniel** has removed to live within the Compass of **Danby** monthly meeting and requests our Certificate **Sarah Potter & Sarah Wood** are appointed to prepare one & bring to our Next monthly meeting

**Sarah Mecumber** [**Macomber**] formerly **Gifford** has kept Company & married out of the order of friend which is referred another month in Care of the overseer

11<sup>th</sup> 20<sup>th</sup>  
1809 At a Monthly Meeting of women friends held in **Dartmouth** 20<sup>th</sup> 11<sup>mo</sup> 1809

the representatives from the South preparative **Deborah Howland & Mercy Wing** from the North **Rhoda Tucker & Hannah Tucker**

the Clerk being absent **Sarah Potter** is appointed Clerk for the Day

the friend appointed Inspector into **Anna Sherman** Clearness respecting marriage report they find Nothing to hinder **Reuben Russell & Anna Sherman** is at Liberty to proceed in marriage

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between this & the next monthly meeting **Anna Eddy & Hannah Shearman** [**Sherman**] are appointed to have the oversight of Said marriage & they to report at our next monthly meeting

the Case in regard to **Sarah Macumber** [**Macomber**] is referred another month

**Catherine Allen** requests to be received into membership with friends **Mary Wing & Elizabeth Howland** are appointed to inspect into the Sincerity of Said request & they to report a future meeting

**Elizabeth Gifford** & Daughter **Mary** are in the practice of attending of **Baptist** meeting they have been laboured with on the account & do not appear in a disposition to take the advice of friends **Rhoda Tucker & Anna Eddy** are appointed to labour with them on the account & they to report when ready

a certificate for **Sarah** Wife of **Nathaniel Potter** was read approved & signed in this & the mens meeting recommending her to the monthly meeting at **Danby**

the Queries have been read & answers prepared to the usual three & forwarded to the Quarterly meeting by our friends **Elizabeth Howland Lucy Howland & Mary Tucker** whom we appoint as representatives to attend the Same & they to report at our next monthly meeting

12<sup>th</sup> mo 18  
1809 At a Monthly Meeting of women friends held in **Dartmouth**  
18<sup>th</sup> 12<sup>mo</sup> 1809

the representatives from the South preparative meeting are  
**Ruth Smith & Mary Wing** from the North **Elizabeth Gifford**  
& **Frelove Gifford** all present  
the representatives to attend the Quarterly meeting report they all  
attended

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the friends appoined to attend the marriage of **Reubim**  
& **Anna Russell** report they Attended & Discovered Nothing  
but what it was orderly Conducted  
the Case in regard to **Lydia Slocum** is Still refird another  
month under the Same friends Care  
**Sarah Macumber** [**Macomber**] is refird another month under the  
Care of the Overseers  
**Catherine Allen** is refird another month under the Care  
of the Same Committee  
**Leviner Lapham** requests to be recivd into membership  
with friends **Rachel Sandford** [**Sanford**] & **Anna Eddy** are appoin[ted]  
to inspect into the Cencirity of Said request & they  
to report when ready  
a Certifiat from the monthly meeting at **Easton** on  
behalf of **Arod Dennise** [**Dennis**] & wife **Mary** with their  
Son **Benj<sup>n</sup> Franklin** was excepted in ths & the mens  
meeting  
the friend in **Allens Neck** requests the favour of  
holding meetings in their Neighbourhood the insuing  
four month which this meeting Grants **Lillis**  
**Gifford Elizabeth Howland Deborah Howland & Sarah**  
**Slocum Edith Russell** are appointed to have the  
oversight of Said meeting  
Likewiss a Simmiler requests from friends in **Smiths**  
**Neck** which is Granted **Mercy Anthony Sarah Howland**  
**Ruth Smith & Desire Howland** are to have the over  
Sight of Said meeting & they to report at the Expiration  
of the time of holding thim  
the friend appointed to Inspect into the Sincirity  
of the request of **Elizabeth Slocum** wife of **Peleg**  
report they found pritty Good Satisfaction  
it is the Conclusion of this & the mens meeting to receive  
her into membership with friends

1<sup>st</sup> mo 15<sup>th</sup>  
1810

At a M<sup>o</sup> Meetg of women friends held in  
**Dartmouth** the 15<sup>th</sup> 1<sup>mo</sup> 1810

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The friends appointed to attend this meet are from

the South preparative meetg **Deborah Howland & Mary Wing** from the North **Jedidah Mosher & Patience Potter** all present  
the Case in regard to **Lydia Slocum** is refird another m<sup>o</sup>. this meet Unites with the men in receiveing **Gardner Wainer** into membership with friends **Sarah Macumber [Macomber]** forwarded a few Lines to this meet requesting to remain a member **Sarah Slocum, Edith Russell, & Deborah Howland** are appointed to inspect into the Sincerity thereof & they to repor[t] when ready this meet unites with the men in Disowning of **Allen Howland**. the Case in regard to **Catherine Allen** is still refird another Month **Elizebeth Russell** Some time past forwarded an acknowledgment to this Meet condemning her being the mother of a Child in an unmarried State which this meet accepts the mens Meet. uniteing therewith

2<sup>nd</sup> mo 19  
1810

At a M<sup>o</sup> Meet of women friends held in **Dartmouth** 19th 2<sup>mo</sup> 1810  
the friend appointed to attend this meetg from the South preparative Meet. are **Anna Eddy & Lucy Howland** from the North **Elizebeth Gifford & Eunice White** all present. The friends appointed to inspect into the request of **Lydia Slocum** w<sup>ife</sup> of **Fredrek** report they found good Satisfaction it is therefore the Conclution of this & the mens meet. to receive her into membership with friend the case in regard to **Sarah Macumber [Macomber]** is Still refird another m<sup>o</sup> under the Same friends Care the friends appointed to inspect into the Sincerity of **Catherine Allens** wife of **Ebenezer** requests report they believe her to be Sinclear it is the Conclution of this & the mens meet. to receive her into membarship with friends Likewise this meet. unites with the men in receving of **Ebenezer Allen**

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the friends appointed to Visit **Mary Gifford** Daughter of **Wilbor** report that She appears to be in no Disposition to refrain from the attendance of Seperate meet. it is therefore the Conclution of this & the mens meet. to disown her from any right of membership amongst friends **Elizabeth Howland** is to inform her of her denial & to make report at our next m<sup>o</sup> meet.

This meet is informed by the Overseers that **Sarah**

**Sherman** has married out of the order of Society  
 Likewise **Hannah Bird [Beard]** which is referd another m<sup>o</sup>  
**Catherine Gifford** forwarded an acknowledgment to  
 this meet. Condemning her misconduct **Sarah Wood**  
**Sarah Slocum & Tabethy Gifford** are appointed  
 to inspect into the Sincerity of Said acknowledg=  
 =ment & they to report when ready  
**Elizebeth Gifford** widow is about to remove within  
 the Compass of **Sandwich M<sup>o</sup> Meet.** & requests  
 our Certificate **Hannah Tucker & Rhoda Tucker**  
 are appointed to prepare one & bring to our next  
 m<sup>o</sup> meet. if nothing appears to hinder  
**Rebecah Howland** wife of **Cornelius** has removed  
 within the Compass of **New Bedford** mo meet &  
 requests our Certificate  
**Lucy Howland & Sarah Wood** are appointed To  
 prepare one & bring to our next m<sup>o</sup> meet if  
 nothing appears to hinder

3<sup>rd</sup> mo 18  
1810

At a monthly meeting of women friends held in  
**Dartmouth** 18<sup>th</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup> 1810  
 the representatives from the South preparative  
**Lucy Howland & Mary Wing** from the North  
**Sarah Mosher & Ruth Mosher** all present  
**Mary Gifford Sarah Shearman [Sherman] & Hannah Beard**

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is Still referd an other month

the Queries & Answers with the accompt have been  
 read approv'd & Sign'd by the Clerk & forwarded to the  
 Quarterly m<sup>ee</sup>. by our friend **Rhoda Tucker Mary**  
**Tucker & Ruth Smith** who are appointed as represen=  
 tatives to attend the Same & they to report at our next m<sup>o</sup>  
 meet. A Certificate for **Elizabeth Gifford**  
 widow directed to **Sandwich** m<sup>o</sup> meet  
 one for **Rebecca Howland** wife of **Cornelius** directed  
 to **New Bedford M<sup>o</sup> Meet.** was read approv'd & Sign'd in  
 this & the mens meet. The friends appointed to  
 inspect into the Sincerity of **Sarah Macumber [Macomber]** wife of  
**Perry** requests report they believe her to be Sincere  
 therein it is therefore the Conclusion of this & the mens  
 Meet to let her remain a member  
 This meet unites with the men in disowning **Thomas**  
**Lapham** Likewise in receiving of **John Lawrence**  
 the friends appointed to inspect into the Sincerity of  
**Leviner Lapham** report they did not find that  
 Satisfaction they could have desired it is the Conclusion  
 of this meet to dismiss the Subject & return her  
 paper **Hannah Jourden [Jordan]** wife of **Eduard** Sent an  
 acknowledgment to this Meet. Condemning her marring  
 out of the order of friends **Elizebeth Howland &**

**Tabathy Gifford** are appointed to inspect into the Sincerity of Said acknowledgment & they to report when ready **James Wing & Sarah Buffington** Publishd their Intention of marriage in this Meet & were refird to the mens **Leucetia Tucker & Sarah Mosher** are appointed To inspect into her Clearness respecting marriage & report to our next M<sup>o</sup> meet. Collected in the South preparitive meeting 2<sup>s</sup>-10<sup>d</sup>

4<sup>th</sup> mo 16<sup>th</sup>  
1810

At a mon<sup>th</sup> meeting of women friends held in **Dartmouth** 16<sup>th</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> mo 1810 the representatives from the South preparitive meeti[ng] **Ruth Davis & Sarah Potter** from the North **Jedidah Mosher & Felove Gifford** all present

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**Ruth Davis & Anna Eddy** are appointed to treat with **Sarah Shearman [Sherman]** and ~~appointed to treat~~ they to report when ready — the case in regard to **Hannah B[Beard?]** is still referd an other month under the care of the overseers — — the friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting report they all attended the friends appoin<sup>d</sup>ed to inspect into the sincerity of **Catherine Gifford** wife of **Pardon** acknowledgment report they believe her to be sincear Likewise **Hannah Jorden [Jordan]** wife of **Edward** it is the conclut[ion] of this & the mens meeting to receive the same to Satisfaction the friends to inspect into **Sarah Buffingtons** clearness respecting marriage report they find nothing to hinder her proceeding in marriage with **James Wing** between this & the next monthly meeting **Rhoda Tucker & Hannah Tucker** are appointed to have the oversite of Said marriage & they to report [to] our next monthly meeting **Lydia Cornell** wiff of **Pardon** requests the care [of] friends **Elizabeth Howland & Mary Wing** are to inspect into the sincerity thereof **Abigale Gifford** wife of **Daniel** requests the care of friends **Sarah Slocum & Edeth Russell** are to inspect into the sincerity of Said request Likewise **Edeth Macum =ber [Macomber]** **Mercy Wing Sarah Potter & Lucy Howland** into her request & they all to report when ready this meeting is informd from the men that **John Fisher** has requested friends care for three of his Children **John Paul & Deborah Fabethy Gifford & Anna Howland** are to join the men friends in visit



-ing of the family & they to report when ready

**Anna Russell** has removed within the Compass of **New Bedford** m<sup>o</sup> meet. & requests our Certificate for herself & three Children **Sarah Wood & Ruth Davis** are appointed to prepare one & bring to our

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next M<sup>o</sup> Meet. if nothing appears to hinder **Phebe Easton** requests a Certificate to the Mo Meet at **Sippao [Scipio] Mary Tucker & Anna Eddy** are appointed to prepare & bring to the next m<sup>o</sup> meet. if nothing appears to hinder the friend ~~appoint~~ had the Care of the meet in **Allens neck** report they have been attended by most of friends in a good Degree orderly likewise a Simon -illar report from the friends in **Smiths neck.** € Collected in the South preparative Meet. £[?]1.9

*5<sup>th</sup> m 21* At a M<sup>o</sup> Meet of women friend held in **Dart. [Dartmouth]**  
*1810* the 21<sup>th</sup> 5<sup>m</sup>. 1810

the representatives from the South preparative are **Lillis Gifford & Elizebeth Howland** from the North **Lucretia Tucker & Jedidah Mosher** all present

**Mary Tucker & Sarah Howland** are appointed to treat with **Hannah Bird [Beard]** on account of marring Contrary to Discipline & they to report when ready the requests of **Lidia Cornell Abigail Gifford Edith Macumber [Macomber] & John Fishers** three Children are referred another m<sup>o</sup> under the same friends Care

the friends appointed to attend the marriage of **James & Sarah Wing** report they attended & discovered nothing but that it was orderly Conducted **Lillis Gifford Mary Wing Jedidah Mosher & Hannah Sherman** are appointed overseers for the year Insuing this meeting unites with the men in receiving of **Isaac Laurance [Lawrence]** into membership with friends **Sarah Wood** is appointed Clerk for the year insueig a certificate for **Ama Russell** wife of **Reuben** with her three Children **Eliza Hannah Tucke[r] & Josheph Tucker Shearman [Sherman]** directed to the monthly meeting at **N Bedford [New Bedford]**

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Likewise one for **Phebe Easton** wife of **Watter** [**Walter**] directed[?] to the monthly meeting at **Cyppio** [**Scipio**] which was read approved & Signd in this & the mens meeting

6<sup>th</sup> mo 18  
1810

At a M<sup>o</sup> Meet of women friends held in **Dartmo** [**Dartmouth**] 18<sup>th</sup> 6<sup>mo</sup> 1810

the friends appointed to attend the m<sup>o</sup> meet from the South prepartive are **Lucy Howland** & **Anna Eddy** from the North **Sarah Mosher** & **Deborah Handy** all preasent

the matter is regard to **Hannah Berd** [**Beard**] is refird another m<sup>o</sup> under the same friends Care

this meet. unites with the men in receiving of **Pardon Gifford** The Queries have been read in this meet. and answers. with the accompt have been approvd & Signd and forwarded to the Quarterly Meet. by our friends friends [*sic*] **Deborah Howland** **Phebe Anthony** & **Tabathy Gifford** & **Hannah Sherman** whome we appoint to attend the Same and they to report at our next m<sup>o</sup> meet.

Our friend **Sarah Hull** attended this Meet. from **Standford** [?] M<sup>o</sup> Meet. whose Company & Gospel Labours hath been truly Edifying to us

It is The Conclusion of this Meet to receive **Lydia Cornell** wife of **Pardon**. **Abigail Gifford** wife of **Daniel** & **Edith Macumber** [**Macomber**] into membership with us the men uniteing therewith

The Case in regard to **Sarah Sherman** is refird another M<sup>o</sup> under the Same friends Care

This meet Concurs with the men in receiveing of **Pardon Cornell** **Jonathan Sisson** **Ephraim Gifford** & **Gorge Allen**

**Mary Smith** widow Hath returned a Coppy of the minite which She had Some time past with an Indorsement. which Expressed the unity of her Visit

This Meet is informed from the men that they are about to Disown **Abner Smith** which this Meet unites with

7<sup>th</sup> mo 16<sup>th</sup>  
1810

At a M<sup>o</sup> Mee<sup>t</sup> of women friends held in **Dartmouth** 16<sup>th</sup> 7<sup>mo</sup> 1810 ————— the representatives from the South prepartive Mee<sup>t</sup> are **Elizebeth Howland** & **Lillis Gifford** from the North **Patience Potter** & **Eunice White** all preas<sup>nt</sup> the friends appointed to attend the Quarterly Mee<sup>t</sup> report they all attended \_  
This mee<sup>t</sup> Concludes to Except of **Sarah Sherman**

acknowledgment for Satisfaction the mens Mee<sup>t</sup> Concur<sup>ing</sup>  
therewith Ð ————— **Deborah Kerby [Kirby] & Elizabeth Slocum**  
requests our Certificate to the M<sup>o</sup> Mee<sup>t</sup> at **Sippao [Scipio]**  
**Elizabeth Howland & Lillis Gifford** are appointed to  
repair them and bring to our next M<sup>o</sup> Mee<sup>t</sup>.

This Mee<sup>t</sup>. is informed that **Phebe Booth** has marri<sup>ed</sup>  
To one not a member **Lucy Howland & Sarah Slocum**  
are appointed to labour with her on the accompt  
& they to report at a futer Mee<sup>t</sup>.

This Mee<sup>t</sup> unites with the men in receiving of **Edward  
Jorden & Mathew Berd [Beard]** into membership with friends  
**Sarah Potter** is appointed assistant Clerk for the  
year Insuing

*8<sup>th</sup> mo 19*  
1810 At a M<sup>o</sup> Meet of women friends held in **Dartmout[h]**  
19<sup>th</sup> 8<sup>mo</sup> 1810

the representatives from the South prepartive Mee<sup>t</sup>  
are **Ruth Davis & Lillis Gifford** from the North  
**Hannah Tucker & Jedidah Mosher** all preasent  
This Meet unites with the men in receiving of **John  
Fisher** two sons **Paul & John** into membership with  
friend. his Daughter **Deborah** is omitted by the request  
of her mother

A Certificate for **Peleg W Slocum & wife Elizabeth**  
directed to the M<sup>o</sup> Mee<sup>t</sup> at **Sippao [Scipio]** was signd in this  
& the mens Mee<sup>t</sup>

This mee<sup>t</sup> is informed that **Danil Howland & wife** requests

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friends Care for their Children **Deborah Howland  
& Lillis Gifford** are appointed to inspect into the Sincer[ity]  
of Said request & they to report at a futer Mee<sup>t</sup>  
This Mee<sup>t</sup> Concludes to except **Hannah Berds [Beards]**  
wife of **Matthew** acknowledgment to Satisfaction the men[s]  
Mee<sup>t</sup> uniteing therewith  
**Danill Buffington & Ruth Hart** Publishd  
their Intention of marriage in this mee<sup>t</sup> & were  
Refird. to the men. **Phebe Tucker & Hannah Tucker**  
are appointed to inspect into **Ruth Hart** Clearness  
respecting marriage & they to report at our next M<sup>o</sup>  
Mee<sup>t</sup> A Certificate for **Deborah Kirby**  
directed to the M<sup>o</sup> Mee<sup>t</sup> at **Sippao [Scipio]** was Signd  
in this & the mens Mee<sup>t</sup>

9<sup>th</sup> mo 17  
1810 At A M<sup>o</sup> Mee<sup>t</sup> of women friends held in **Dart [Dartmouth]** the  
17<sup>th</sup> 9<sup>mo</sup> 1810

The representatives from the South preparative  
Mee<sup>t</sup> are **Barshaba Allen & Mercy Mosher**  
from the North **Frelove Gifford & Sarah Wing**  
all present except **Sarah Wing** for whose absence  
Satisfactory reasons was given

The Queries hath been read & Answers <sup>prepared</sup> to the usual  
three & forwarded to the Quarterly Mee<sup>t</sup> by our  
friend **Mary Tucker Rhoda Tucker & Hannah**  
**Sherman** whom we appoint as representatives  
to attend the Same & they to report to our next  
M<sup>o</sup> Mee<sup>t</sup>

The friend appointed to inspect into **Ruth Harts**  
clearness respecting marriage report they find  
nothing to hinder her proceeding **Daniel Buffingto[n]**  
& **Ruth Hart** is at Liberty to proceed in marriage  
between this & the next M<sup>o</sup> Mee<sup>t</sup> observing the  
good order of friends **Frelove Gifford & Mehetable**  
**Tucker** are appointed to have the oversight of Said  
marriage & they to report at our next M<sup>o</sup> Mee<sup>t</sup>  
This Mee<sup>t</sup> unites with the men in disowning of  
**Giles Slocum Pardon Wing & Ricketson Slocum**

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**Susanna Gifford & Eliphal Wilcox** express a Concern  
they have had for Some time to be received into member  
ship with friends **Mary Wing Tabatha Gifford & Lillis**  
**Gifford** are appointed to inspect into the Sincerity  
thereof. Likewise a request from **Rhoda Wainer**  
**Elizbeth Howland Bershaba Allen & Ester Gifford**  
are appointed to inspect into the Sincerity of Said requ  
est & they to report at a future Mee<sup>t</sup>

It is the Conclusion of this & the mens meet to receive  
**Daniel Howland** children namely **Daniel & Lydia** into  
membership with friends

Collected in the South preparative mee<sup>t</sup> 35 Cents  
The friend in **Allens Neck** have requested the favour  
of holding Mee<sup>t</sup> in Said Neck which is referred another  
M<sup>o</sup> under the care of A Committee **Roda Tucker**  
**Anna Eddy & Mary Tucker** are to Join the men  
friend in Considering of the matter & they to report  
at our next m<sup>o</sup> mee<sup>t</sup>

A Certificate for **Joseph Lapham** was Signed in  
this & the mens Mee<sup>t</sup> directed to the M<sup>o</sup> Mee<sup>t</sup>  
at **Sippao [Scipio]** —————

10<sup>th</sup> mo 15  
1810 At A M<sup>o</sup> Meet<sup>g</sup> of women friends held in **Dartmo [Dartmouth]** 15<sup>th</sup> 10<sup>m</sup>  
1810 — — the representatives from the South preparative  
Meet are **Ruth Davis & Rhobe Howland** from the

North **Patience Potter** & **Lucretia Tucker** all present  
except **Patience Potter**

the friends appointed to attend the Quarterly Meet.  
report they all attended  
the friends appointed to attend the marriage of **Daniel**  
& **Ruth Buffington** report they attendd & discoverd nothing  
but that it was orderly conducted  
We have Receivd Transcripts of Epistles from **London** &  
**New York** Yearly Meet which was read in this Mee<sup>t</sup> to  
Satisfaction the Committee that had the matter  
under consideration in regard to holding Meett in **Allens**  
**Neck** report they leave them at liberty to begin the  
first day after the M<sup>o</sup> Meet in the tenth M<sup>o</sup> at the  
house Built for that purpose to be held the first & fifths  
Days except that week that our M<sup>o</sup> & preparetive Meeting

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Are held under the Care of A Committee & to be  
Continued So long as the M<sup>o</sup> Meet think best **Elizebet[h]**  
**Howland Lillis Gifford Mary Wing Deborah Howland**  
**Tabetha Gifford** are appointed for that purpose & they  
to report once in Six M<sup>o</sup>  
**Phillip Wilbur & Cynthia Mosher** Publishd their  
Intention of marriage in this Meet & were refird to the  
men **Hannah Sherman & Ruth Davis** are appointed  
to inspect into the Yongue womans Clearness respecting  
marriage & they to report at our next M<sup>o</sup> Meet  
This Meet is informed that **Jemima Allen** requests to be  
receivd into membership with friends **Mary Wing Sar<sup>ah</sup>**  
**Potter & Sarah Wood** are appointed to inspect into the  
Sincerity of Said requests & they to report when ready  
**Ruth Buffington** wife of **Daniel** requests A Certificate  
to the M<sup>o</sup> Meet at **Sommerset [Somerset] Lucretia Tucker**  
& **Freelove Gifford** are appointed to prepair one &  
bring to our next M<sup>o</sup> Meet.

11<sup>th</sup> mo 19  
1810

At a M<sup>o</sup> Meet of women friend held in **Dart. [Dartmouth]** 19<sup>th</sup> 11<sup>mo</sup> 1810  
the Representatives from the South preparetive Meet are  
**Mary Wing Mary Wood** from the North **Rhoda Tucker &**  
**Deborah Handy** all present  
the Queries have been read & Answers prepaired to the usial  
three & forwarded to the Quarterly Meet by our friends **Mary**  
**Tucker Elizebeth Howland & Sarah Slocum** whome we  
appoint as representatives to attend the Same. & they to report  
at our next M<sup>o</sup> Meet  
A Certificate for **Ruth Buffington** wife of **Daniel** was

Signd in this & the mens Meet Directed to the M<sup>o</sup> Meet  
at **Sommersett [Somerset]**  
Rceivd a Letter from **Galloway [Galway]** M<sup>o</sup> Meet with an acknowle  
=dgment from **Phebe Bronson** which this & the mens Meet hav[e]  
taken under Consideration & Leave that M<sup>o</sup> Meet at liberty  
to Dispose of it as truth opens the way  
the friends appointed to inspect into **Cynthia Mosher's** Clearness  
respecting marriage report they find nothing to hinder **Phillip**

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**Wilbur & Cynthia Mosher** is at liberty to proceed in  
marriage between this & the next M<sup>o</sup> Meet **Hannah Sherman**  
& **Hannah Gifford** are appointed to have the Oversight of Said  
marriage & they to report at our next M<sup>o</sup> Meett.  
The Case in regard to **Jemima Allen. Susanna Gifford &**  
**Rhoda Wainer [Wainer]** are refird another M<sup>o</sup>  
The friend in **Smith Neck** requests the favour of holding Meet  
in the Neighbourhood as usual which this Meet grants under the  
care of **Sarah Howland Mary Smith Ruth Smith & Phebe**  
**Anthony** & they to report at the Expiration of the time of holding  
them

12<sup>th</sup> mo 20<sup>th</sup>  
1810

At A M<sup>o</sup> Meet of women friends held in **Dart. [Dartmouth]** 20<sup>th</sup> 12<sup>m</sup> 1810 —  
the representatives from the South preparative meet are  
**Mary Wood & Anna Eddy** from the North **Jedidah Mosher &**  
**Sarah Mosher** all present except **Jedidah Mosher**  
The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly report they all  
attended except **Sarah Slocum** who was prevented by Sick  
It is the Conclusion of this & the mens Meet to receive  
**Susanna Gifford Jemima Allen & Rhoda Wainer** into  
membership with friends  
The friends appointed to attend the marriage of **Phillip &**  
**Cynthia Wilbur** report they attended & it was pretty orderly  
Conducted  
the Case in regard to **Elizabeth Gifford** is refird another  
M<sup>o</sup> — This meet is informed that **Hannah Hull** has  
kept Company & married out of the order of friends  
**Tabetha Gifford & Bershaba Allen** are appointed to treat  
with her on the account & they to report when re<sup>a</sup>dy  
Collected in the North preparative meet. four Shillings  
This Meet Unites with the men in Disowning of **Humphry**  
**Ricketson** —

1<sup>st</sup> mo 21  
1811

at a monthly meeting of women friends held  
in **Dartmouth** 1<sup>st</sup> m 21<sup>st</sup> 1811  
the representatives from the South preparative  
**Mercy Mosher & Mary Wood** from the north **Freelove**  
**Gifford & Sarah Wing** all present

a complaint forwarded to this meeting against **Elisabeth Gifford** wife of **wilber** Some time past for attending of meetings not of our Society which She appears to be in disposition to refrain from & desires to remain amongst friends it is the conclusion of this & the mens meeting to except the Same for Satisfaction & let her remain a member --- **Rebeckah Little** requests friends care for her Children **Benjamin Luther Sarah & Teriah Frelove Gifford & Anna Eddy** are appointed to join the men friends in visiting of the famely & they to report when ready

*18<sup>th</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> mo*  
1811

at a Monthly Meeting of women friends held in **Dartmouth** 18<sup>th</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> mo 1811 the representatives from the south preparative meeting **Anna Slead [Slade] & Tabetha Gifford** from the **Rhoda Tucker & Sarah Mosher** all presend this meeting unites with the men in receiveing of **Lilly Gifford** into membership with friends **Tabethy Gifford** is appointed to join the former committe in visiting of **Phebe Booth** a Certificate for **Olover Lapham** Directed to the monthly meeting at **Scipes [Scipio]** was Signd in this & the mens meeting **Hannah Taber** Daughter of **Benjamin** some time past brought a ccopy of the minit from **Newbedford** monthly meeting to this expressing her being a member of that meeting this may inform she has returnd to live with you again the clerk is directed to furnish her with a ccopy of this minit

*18<sup>th</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup> mo*  
1811

At a monthly meeting of women friends held in **Dartmouth** 18<sup>th</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup> mo 1811 the representatives from the South preparative Meetg are **Anna Eddy & Elizabeth Howland** from the North **Rhoda Tucker & Jedidah Mosher** all present

The Queries have been read & Answers prepaired & forwarded to the Quarterly Meetg by our friends **Lucy Howland Lucreatia Tucker & Tabetha Gifford** whome we appoint as representatives to attend the Same & they to report at our next M<sup>o</sup> meetg A Certificate from **Newbedford M<sup>o</sup>** Meeting on behalf of **Mary Morton** wife of **George** & three Daughters **Anna Sarah & Mary Eddy** which was excepted in this & the mens Meeting after a deliberate Consideration it is the Conclusion of this & the mens Meet to disown **Phebe Booth** wife of **Russell & Hannah Hull** wife of **John** from any right amongst friends this Meeting is informed that **Cook Howland** requests

a removal Certificate for himself & family to **Scipio M<sup>o</sup> Me**  
**Mary Wood & Lucy Howland** are to Join the men friends in  
preparing one & bring to our next M<sup>o</sup> Meet<sup>s</sup> if nothing  
hinders This Meet is informed that **Sukey H Sherman**  
requests the Care of friends **Mary Tucker & Ruth Davis** are  
appointed to inspect into the Sincerity of Said request likewise  
**Phebe Tripp** requests friend Care **Jedidah Mosher &**  
**Rhoda Tucker** are appointed to inspect into the Sincerity  
thereof & they to report when ready

*4<sup>th</sup> mo 15<sup>th</sup>*  
1811

At a M<sup>o</sup> Meeting of women friends held in **Dart<sup>mo</sup> 4<sup>mo</sup> 15<sup>th</sup> 1811**  
the representatives from the South preparative are **Mary Wood &**  
**Ruth Smith** from the North **Sarah Mosher & Lucretia Tucker**  
all present the friends appointed to attend the Quarterly  
Meeting report they all attended **Benj<sup>n</sup> H Smith** requests  
a removal Certificate for himself & family & **Sarah Smith**  
Daughter of **Deliverance** to the M<sup>o</sup> Meeting at **Sippio Ruth**  
**Smith & Desire Howland** are to Join the men friends in prepar<sup>ing</sup>  
one & bring to our next M<sup>o</sup> Meet<sup>s</sup> if nothing appears to hinder  
**Peleg White** requests a removal Certificate for himself &  
family to **Sippio M<sup>o</sup> Meet**. **Anna Eddy & Lucretia Tucker**  
are to assist the men in preparing one & bring to our next  
M<sup>o</sup> Meet. if nothing appears to hinder **Abraham Wing**  
**Rebecca Tucker Prince Gifford & Patience Gifford**  
Published their intention of Marriage in this Meet & were  
refird to the men **Jedidah Mosher & Mary Tucker** are  
appointed to inspect into **Rebecca Tucker & Patience Gifford**  
Clearness respecting Marriage & report to next M<sup>o</sup> Meet<sup>s</sup>.

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The Committee that has the care of the Meeting in **Allens**  
**neck** report they have been attended by most of friends & in  
a good degree orderly & to the honour of truth to be Continued  
under the Care of the Same Committee

Collected in the preparative meeting 9<sup>s</sup>.6<sup>d</sup> in the North 4<sup>s</sup>/0<sup>d</sup>

The friend appointed to visit the family of **Nathaniel**  
**Little** on a compt of his wife requests for hir Children report  
it is the united opinion of them to Dismiss the matter it is  
accordingly

*5<sup>th</sup> mo 20<sup>th</sup>*  
1811

At a M<sup>o</sup> Meet. of women friend friends held in **Dart. 5<sup>mo</sup> 20<sup>th</sup> 1811**  
the representatives from the South preparative <sup>^meet.</sup> are **Lucy Howland**  
& **Anna Eddy** from the North **Lucretia Tucker & Deborah Handy**  
all present the friends appointed to inspect the Sincerity of the  
requests of **Sakey H Shermans & Phebe Tripp** wife of **Othniel** report  
they believe them to be Sincear therein it is therefore the Conclusion  
of this & the mens Meeting to receive them into membership  
with friends A Certificate for **Cook Howland & wife**



**Rebecah** & his Children **Olover, Sarah Abner Ruth & Charles**. Likewise one for **Benj<sup>n</sup> H. Smith** & his wife **Silvia** & his Children **Humphrey, Fredreck, Slocum, Hijah Silvia Howland & Cornelious**, & **Sarah Smith** Daughter of **Deliverance** was approv'd & Sign'd in this & the mens Meeting Directed to the M<sup>o</sup> meeting at **Sippio [Scipio]** this meeting unites with the men in Disowning **Arod Dennise [Dennis]** A Certificate from **Uxbridge** M<sup>o</sup> Meet on behalf of **Huldah Buffington** wife of **Stephen** was excepted in this & the mens Meet. This Meet is informed that **Phebe Winslow** requests the Care of friends **Jerusha Smith & Rhoda Tucker** are appointed to inspect into the Sincerity of Said request & report when ready **Martha Hoskins** formerly **Chase** has kept Company & married out of the order friends it is the Conclusion of this & the mens Meet to Disown from any right of membership amongst friends A Certificate for **Peleg White** & wife **Eunice** with her Children **Abner Almy David & Susanna** directed to the monthly meeting at **Scipio** was Sign'd in this & the mens meeting **Freborn Shearman** is appointed to inform **Martha Hoskins** of her denial & to report at our next monthly meeting

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the friends appointed to inspect **Rebecca Tuckers & Patience P. Giffords** clearness respected marriage report they find nothing to hinder their proceeding **Abraham, Wing & Rebecah Tucker Prince Gifford & Patience T Gifford** are at Liberty to proceed in marriage between this & the next m<sup>o</sup> meetg observing the good order of friends **Mary Tucker Jedidah Mosher Jerusha Smith & Lucretia Tucker** are appointed to have the ovesite of Said marriages & they to report at our next M<sup>o</sup> Meet<sup>s</sup> **Jedidah Mosher Lucretia Tucker Tabathy Gifford Mary Wing** are appointed overseers for the year Insuing **Anna Howland Mary Wood Bershabe Allen & Sarah** are appointed oversers of the poor for the year insuing the friends in **Smiths neck** report their meetings have all been attended & to the honour of truth **Elizabeth Howland Deborah Howland & Anna Edy** are appointed to take the care in regard to the choise of a new Clerk – **Hannah Kerby** forwarded a to this a communication requesting to be received into membership with friends **Mary Smith Desire Howland & Hannah Smith** are to inspect into the sincerity of Said request & they to report when ready At a Monthly meeting of women friends held in **Dartmouth** 17<sup>th</sup> 6<sup>th</sup> mo 1811

6<sup>th</sup> 17<sup>th</sup>  
1811

the representatives from the South preparative meeti[ng] **Ruth Davis & Mary Wood** from the North **Frelove Gifford & Rhoda Tucker** all present the Clerk of this meeting being absent **Sarah Potter** is appointed Cerck for the day the friends appointed to attend the marriages of **Abraham**

**Wing & Prince Gifford** report they attended and they was orderly conducted --- **Rebecah Wing** requests a certificate to **Sandwich** monthly meeting **Frelove Gifford & Rhoda Tucker** are appointed to prepare one & bring to our next monthly meeting this meeting this meeting concludes to adjourn to the 24<sup>th</sup> instant 6<sup>th</sup> mo 24<sup>th</sup> met agreeable to adjournment the representatives present **Martha Horskins** is informed of her denial **Sarah Wood** is appointed Clerk for the year insueing

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the friends appointed to inspect into the sincerity of the request of **Hannah Kerby** wife of **Luthan** report they believe her to be Sincere in her request [t] it is therefore the conclusion of this & the mens meeting to receive her into membership with friends----- the Queries have ben read & answers to the usual [1] three prepared with the accounts & forwarded to the Quarterly meeting by our friends **Tabitha Gifford Deborah Howland** whome we appoint as representatives to attend the same & they to report at our next monthly meeting this meeting is informed that **Ebenezer Chase** request a Certificate for him Self & family to the monthly meeting at **westport Frelove Gifford & Jedidah Mosher** are appointed to Join the men friends in preparing one & bring to our next monthly meeting if nothing appears to hinder

At a monthly meeting of women friends h<sup>o</sup>ld in

*7<sup>th</sup> mo 15<sup>th</sup>* **Dartmouth** 15<sup>th</sup> 7<sup>th</sup> mo 1811

1811

the representatives to attend this meeting from the South preparative meeting **Esther Gifford & Phebe Anthony** from the North **Huldah Buffington & Lucretia Tucker** all present

the friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeig [meeting] report they all attended --- A Certificate for **Rebecah Wing** wife of **Abraham** approved & Signed in this & the mens meeting directed to the monthly meeting at **Sandwich** --- the friends appointed to inspect into the Sincerety of the request of **Phebe Winslow** report they believe her to be sincere in her request [t] it is therefore the conclusion of this and the mens to receive her into membership with friends

this meeting is informed that **Jemima Slocum** has married with one not a member & likewise had a Child sooner after marriage than is consistant with truth **Anna Eddy & Sarah Wood** are appointed to visit her on that account & they to report when ready --- **Sarah Estes** has become the mother of a Child in an unmarried state **Sarah Howland & Mary Tucker & Elizabeth Howland** are appointed to visit her on that account & they to report when ready --- **Anna Gifford** is appointed assistant Clerk for the year insueing --- **Esther Gifford** is appointed overseer for the insueing year

8<sup>th</sup> m 19  
1811

At a monthly meeting of women friends held in **Dartmouth** 19<sup>th</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> mo 1811

the representatives from the preparative meetings are from the South **Rachel Gifford & Rachel Sandford** from the North **Rhoda Tucker & Jerusha Smith** all a Certificate for **Ebenezer Chase & wife Mary** with their son **Sebra** directed to the monthly meeting at **westport** was approved & signd in this & the mens meeting – the case in regard to **Jemima Slocum & Sarah Estes** is referd an other month

this meeting is informd that **Sarah Gifford** requests the Care of friends **Elizabeth Howland Sarah Slocum & Mary Wing** are appointed to visit her on that account & they to report when ready we have received transcrip[ts] of Epistles <sup>^Philadelphia & newyork</sup> likewise ~~the~~ Extracts from our yearly meetings minits which was read to satisfaction

9<sup>th</sup> mo 18  
1811

At a monthly meeting of women friends held in **Dartmouth** 18<sup>th</sup> 9<sup>mo</sup> 1811 the representatives to attend the M<sup>o</sup> Meet<sup>s</sup> from the South preparative meet<sup>s</sup> **Ruth Davis & Mary Tucker** from the North **Deborah Handy & Lucretia Tucker** all present the friends appoin<sup>ted</sup> to Vissit **Sarah Gifford** wife of **Jonathan** on accompt of her requests report they believe her to be Sincere therein, it is therefore the conclution of this & the mens meeting to receive her into membership with friends this meeting unites with men in disowning of **Ebenezer Allen** likewise in receiving of **George Handy**

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It is the Conclution of this Meet. to disown **Jemima Slocum** wife of **Ricketson** from any rite of membership amongst friends likewise **Sarah Estes** the mens meeting uniting there with the Queries & Answers to the usal three with the accompt have been read & Signd in this meeting and forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting by our friend **Mary Tucker Sarah Potter & Lucretia Tucker** whome we appoint as representatives to attend the Same & they to report

at our next m<sup>o</sup>. meeting      **Sarah Slocum & Lucy Howla[nd]**  
are to inform **Jemima Slocum & Sarah Estes** of their  
Denial and report at our next m<sup>o</sup> meeting

*10<sup>th</sup> 21<sup>st</sup>  
1811*

At a M<sup>o</sup> meeting of women friends held in **Dart**<sup>m</sup> 10<sup>m</sup> 21<sup>th</sup>-1811  
the representatives to attend this meeting from the South  
preparative meeting **Sarah Potter & Anna Slade** from the  
North **Rhoda Tucker & Jedidah Mosher** all present exce[pt]  
**Rhoda Tucker** who rendered Satisfactory reasons for her  
absence    the friend appointed to attend the Quarterl[y]  
Meeting report they all attended, the friend appointed  
to inform **Jemima Slocum** wife of **Ricketson &**  
**Sarah Estes** of their Denial report they were informd

At a m<sup>o</sup> meeting of women friends held in **Dart**. 18<sup>th</sup> 11<sup>m</sup>1811  
the representatives from the paretives meetings are from the  
South **Mary Tucker & Anna Eddy** from the north **Freelov[e]**  
**Gifford & Lucretia Tucker** all present  
the Queries have been read and Answerd prepaired in this mee[ting]  
& forwarded to the Quarterly meeting by our friends **Ruth**  
**Smith Mary Tucker & Jedidah Mosher** whome we appoi[nt]  
as representatives to attend the Same & they to report at our  
next m<sup>o</sup> meeting

the friend appointed Some time past to visit **Eliphal**  
**Wilcox** an Accompt of her request report they believe her  
to be Sincere therein, it is therefore the Conclusion of this  
& the mens meetg to recive her into membership with  
friends    this meeting is informed that **Patience P**  
**Gifford** has removed to live with her hisband within the  
Compas of **Sandwich** m<sup>o</sup> meet<sup>s</sup> & requests our Certifica[te]  
**Anna Eddy & Lucretia Tucker** are appointed to prepare  
one & bring to our next m<sup>o</sup> meeting if nothing appears  
to hinder

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the Committe that has the Care of the meetings in **Allens**  
**neck** report they have all been attended & in an orderly manne<sup>r</sup>  
it is the Conclusion of this & the mens meeting to grant the  
friends in **Smith neck** the liberty of holding meeting in their  
Neighbourhood this winter Season as Usal, **Mary Smith Ruth**  
**Smith & Sarah Howland** are appointed to Join the men  
friends in having the oversite of Said meeting & they to report  
at the expiration of holding them

*16<sup>th</sup> 12<sup>mo</sup>  
1811*

At a m<sup>o</sup> meet of women friends held in **Dart**. 16<sup>th</sup> 12<sup>m</sup> 1811  
the representatives from the South preparative meet are  
**Mercy Mosher & Sarah Potter** from the North **Sarah**  
**Wing & Sarah Mosher** all preasent  
the friend appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting report  
they all attended except one who rendered Satisfactory reasons  
for her not attending    A certificate for **Patience P**  
**Gifford** wife of **Prince** Diricted to the m<sup>o</sup> meeting at  
**Sandwich** was approv<sup>d</sup> & Signd in this & the mens meeting  
this meeting unites with the men in disowning of

**Isaac Barker** from any rite of membership amongst friends --- this meeting unites with the men in leaving of **Scipio** monthly meeting at liberty to receive **Amasiah Tabers** acknowledgment if they him worthy

At a monthly monthly of women friends hld in

**Dartmouth** 20<sup>th</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> mo 1811

20<sup>th</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> mo  
1811

the friends appointed to attend this meeting from the South preparative meeting **Mary Wood & Ruth Smith** from the north **Frelove Gifford & Rhoda Tucker** all absent except **Mary Wood**

Collected in the South preparative meeting one dollar & forty cents – this meeting is informd that

**Marlborough Wood** requests a certificate for himself & famely to the monthly meeting at **N Bedford Lucy Howland & Anna Gifford** are to join the men friends in preparing one & bring to our next monthly meeting if nothing appears to hinder

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17<sup>th</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> mo  
1812

At a monthly meeting of women friends he[ld] in **Dartmouth** 17<sup>th</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> m 1812

the representativese from the preparative meetings are from the North **Lucritia Tucker & Phebe Trip [Tripp]** all present a Certificate for **Marlborough Wood** & wife **Roby** with their Children **Stephen Humphry & Lurana** was Signd in this & this mens meetin[g] directed to the monthly meeting at **NBedford Asa Mosher & Phebe Winslow** Published thei[r] intention of marriage in this meeting & were referd to the men **Sarah Mosher & Anna Eddy** are appointed to inspect into **Phebe Winslows** Clearness respecting marriage & they to report at our next monthly meeting

3<sup>rd</sup> mo 16<sup>th</sup>  
1812

At a m<sup>o</sup> meeting of women friends held in **Dartmou** 16<sup>th</sup> 3<sup>m</sup> 1812

The representatives from the preparative meetng are from the South **Anna Slade & Ruth Davis** from the North **Rhoda Tucker & Deborah Handy** all present the friends appointed to inspect into **Phebe Winslow** clearness respecting marriage with **Asa Mosher** report they find nothing to hinder. the Querise & Answers with the Accompt have been read

approvd & Signd in this meeting & forwarded to the Quarter[ly]  
Meeting by our friends **Mary Wood Lucy Howland &  
Ruth Davis** whome we appoint as representatives to  
attend the Same & they to report at our Next m<sup>o</sup> meetg  
this Meetg is informed that **Hannah Anthony** has married  
out of the order of freinds **Ruth Davis & Sarah Howland**  
are appointed to Visit her on that accompt & they to  
report when ready

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**Phebe Gifford** forwarded A Communication to this Meetg  
requesting to be recivd into membership with friends **Ester  
Gifford & Sarah Wood** are appointed to inspect into the Sincerety  
of her request likewise **Lidia Lawrence** forwarded as request  
**Tabatha Gifford & Anna Howland** are to inspect into the State  
of her mind & they to report when ready  
at a monthly meeting of women friends held in  
**Dartmouth** 20<sup>th</sup> 4<sup>th</sup><sub>mo</sub> 1812  
the representatives to attend the monthly meeting  
from the prepartive meetings are from the South  
**Ruth Smith & Mary Wing** from the North **Phebe  
Trip [Tripp] Sarah Mosher** all present  
the friends appointed to attend the Quarterly  
meting report they all attended except except  
**Ruth Davis** for which Satisfactory reasons was  
rendered  
the case in regard to **hannah Anthony** is referd  
an other month  
it is the conclution of this meeting to receive  
**Phebe Gifford** widow & **Lydia Lawrence [Lawrence]** wife  
of **Isaac** into membership with friends, the mens  
uniteing therewith likewise this meeting unites  
with the men in recieveing **John Gifford  
Asa Mosher & Phebe Winslow** are at liberty  
to proced in marriage betwen this & the  
next monthly meeting observing of the good  
order of friends **Jedidah Mosher & Lucretia  
Tucker** are appointed to have the oversite of  
Said marriage & they to report at our next  
monthly meeting  
this meeting unites with the men in receiveing  
the acknowledgment of **Silvia Kerby**  
the friends in **Smiths Neck** report their  
meetings have all been attended & in a good  
degree & to the satisfaction of friends

At a monthly meeting of women friends held  
 in **Dartmouth** 5<sup>th</sup><sub>m</sub> 18<sup>th</sup> 1812  
 the representatives to attend this meeting from  
 the South prepartive **Roly Howland & Hanna[h]  
 Smith** from the North **Jedidah Mosher &  
 Lucretia Tucker** two absent  
 the case in regard to **Hannah Anthony** is  
 referd an other month  
 the friends to have the over sight of the  
 marriage of **Asa Mosher & Phebe Winslow**  
 report they attended & discovered nothing an[d]  
 that it was orderly conducted  
**Elisabeth Slocum** Sent an acknowledgme[nt]  
 to this meeting condemning her ~~marrying~~  
 misconduct it is the conclution of this meetg  
 to refer it untill some future meeting  
**Jedidah Mosher & Lucretia Tucker** are  
 appointed overseers for the insueng year  
 this meeting is informd that **Phebe Mosher**  
 wife of **Asa** his removed to live with her  
 Husband within the compas of **Hudson**  
 monthly meeting & requests our certificate  
**Lucretia Tucker & Mary Wood** are appont  
 =ed to prepare one & bring to our ne<sup>x</sup>t  
 monthly meeting if nothing appears to hinde[r]  
 the friends that had the care of the meeting  
 in **Allens neck** report they have been  
 conducted in a good degree orderly  
 A Certificate for **Rachel Gifford** wife of  
**Stephen** & her two Daughters **Hannah  
 & Sarah Baker** was accepted in this  
 meeting from the monthly meeting  
 at **westport**

at a monthly meeting of women friends held  
 in **Dartmouth** 15<sup>th</sup> 6<sup>th</sup><sub>mo</sub> 1811  
 the representatives to attend this meeting are  
 from the South **Edith Russell & Ruth Davis**  
 from the North **Sarah Mosher & Lucretia Tucker**  
 all present  
**Sarah Howland & Anna Slead [Slade]** are appointd  
 to visit **Elizabeth Slocum** & indeavour to  
 discover the sincerety of her acknowledgmen  
 & they to report when ready  
 a certificate for **Phebe Mosher** wife of **Asa**  
 was read approved & signd in this & the mens  
 meeting directed to the monthly at **Hudson**  
 this meeting concludes to adjourn to the  
 22<sup>nd</sup> instant

met agreeable to adjournment the  
representatives all present  
the Queries have been read & answers prepa  
red to the first Seacond & tenth Queries &  
forwarded to the Quarterly meeting by our  
friends **Sarah Mosher Anna Gifford &  
Suky Shearman** whome we appoint to  
attend the same & they to report at our  
next monthly meeting  
our Esteemed friend **Anna Willis** attended this  
meeting ~~to Satisfaction~~ with a copy of the minit  
from **Jerico** monthly meeting on **Long island**  
to the Satisfaction of friend  
this meeting is informd that **Nancy aldy** [?]  
attended a marriage where their  
was musick & dancing **Elizabeth Howland**  
& **Ruth Davis** are appointed to visit her on  
that account & they to report at our next  
monthly meeting  
this meeting unies with the men in  
disowning of **Deliverance Smith** from any  
right of membership amongst friends

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**Tabitha Gifford & Mary Wing** are appon  
overseers for the year insueing for the  
South prepartive meeting  
this meeting unites with the men in  
leaveing of **Easton** monthly meeting at liberty  
to receive **Elisheb Smith** a member of  
that meeting if on inspection he is found  
worthey

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mens meeting to receive their children namely **Pardon**  
**Patience Abigale Jemima John & Almy** into memb  
ership with friends,  
the committee appointed to visit **Jonathan Wood** & wife  
on account of a request for their children report they



found good satisfaction it is theirfore the conclution  
of this & the mens meeting to receive Said Children  
into membership namely **Elizabeth Mehitable**  
& **Edith**

a certificate from the monthly meeting at **N Bedf**  
on behalf of **Lurane Wood** wife of **John** was read  
& accepted in this and the mens meeting  
a certificate for **Mary Kees** wif of **John** was  
read approved & signed in this & the mens meeting  
directed to the monthly meeting at **Peru**  
this meeting is informed that **resolved Howland**  
requests a certificate for him self & famely like  
**Samuel Slead** requests for him self & famely  
recommending them to the monthly meeting at  
**Westport Hannah Tucker & Anna Eddy** are approved  
to Join the men friends in preparing said certificates  
& bring to the next monthly meeting if nothing appears  
to hinder

**Zephaniah Slead & Anna Gifford** appeared for their  
answer nothing appearing to hinder were allowed to pro  
ceed in this meeting & were referd to the mens **Phebe Tucker**  
& **Jedidah Mosher** are appointed to have the oversite of  
Said marriage & they to report at our next monthly  
meeting

Collected in the South preparative meeting 0/8

At a monthly meeting of women friends held in  
**Dartmouth** 21<sup>st</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> mo 1806

the friends appointed to attend this meeting from the South  
preparative meeting **Mercy Shephers & Mary Wood**  
from the North **Jedidah Mosher & Frelove Gifford**  
all present

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the friends appointed to attend the marriage of **Zephania**  
**Sleed & Anna Gifford** report they attended & discovered nothing  
but that it was orderly conducted

the friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting  
report they all attended except **Ruth Davis**

A certificate for **Abraham Allen & sons**

**John & Henry** was read approved & Signd in this & the  
mens meeting directed to the monthly meeting at **Easton**  
this meeting is informd that **Ebenezor Chase** requests  
a certificate for him Self & famelu recommending  
them to the monthly meeting at **N Bedford Sarah**  
**Mosher & Hannah Tucker** are appointed to prepare  
one & bring to the next monthly meeting if nothing  
appears to hinder

A certificate for **Resolved Howland & wife**  
**Patience** with their Children Namely **Nathaniel**  
**Philip Edward & Caleb** one for **Samuel Slead**  
& wife **Peace** with their Children **Edward**  
**Benjamin William & Anna** likewise one for

**Elihu Gifford** all which was read approved & signed  
in this & the mens meeting directed to the monthly  
meeting at **Westport**

A certificate from the monthhly meeting at **West-**  
**-port** on behalf of **Patience Mosher**

was excepted in this & the mens meeting  
the friends that had the care of the meeting in  
**Allens Neck** report they have all been attended  
in a good degree orderly likewise a Simelar  
report from the friends in **S<sup>m</sup>iths Neck**

At a monthly meeting of women friends held in  
**Dartmouth** 13<sup>th</sup> 5<sup>mo</sup> 1806

the friends appointed to attend this meeting from  
the South preparative meeting **Elizabeth Howland**  
& **Sarah Slocum** from the North **Rhoda Mott**  
& **Hannah Tucker** all present

**Ruth Davis** is appointed assistant Clerk for the  
year Insuing. this meeting **Jay** informed  
that **Ruth Joy** formerly **Mosher** has kept

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