

The duty of the Publisher - the things pray well upon
2^{dly} established but will not be by those whom the
Publisher will turn him off - He was warned of this when
from ~~some~~ ^{some} ~~said~~ ^{we left him} that if we could get into anything else he
would leave it. we have mentioned this case to God May
Paul, Keckwick - on our return to Adelaide we visited
the other friends whom we had discovered some being
members others disowned for marriage - at all we were
kindly received & a thankfulness expressed that we had
visited them - do not know how long they will feel the
burden of our visit but the Society had got so low
that some had left the Society & some other persons
others had cast off all appearance of friends & in fine there
was ~~scarcely~~ ^{scarcely} one in Adelaide who could be looked up to as
the a head of the Society - for the only faithful friends were
Wm & Watson who are in that state are so that their ministry
will be there alone & be at present more who can supply
their place

The lamentable state in which we found the Society is owing
to several causes the main one may be the want of life in
each individual certainly if each one is convicted to
walk in the light the whole Body would grow & increase together
but alas several has been the carelessness that often we
have been informed the meetings house has been attended
but by one or two & one meeting only in the week on 1st day
morning - another cause has been the want of exercise
in the discipline there has been only one meet^g for discipline
called the 2nd meet^g held alternately at Mr Bather & Adelaide but
this has never exercised any discipline over its members
but allowed them to go on unrepented unvisited uncajoiced
until the reading of the Advice & ~~the~~ ^{the} answering of the Questions
has come to doubt a thing they could not attempt on this
we might out some advice to them recommending the
institution of Preparatory meet^g at Bather & Adelaide & the
youngest of Mr Bather as also a weekly meet^g to be held at
Adelaide & correspond with the other meet^g - the last 6
day we were there they held their 2nd meet^g at Adelaide

at which members from Boaropa & W. W. W. attended. Mr May
son of Mr. May was clerk, he has held the office some time but
the business appears to lay upon his father.
Another cause may be the great apparent neglect by the
Mo. Misses at home of their members out here. No notice has
been taken of them no care taken to advise them from time
to time nor one except I Bell the Christian has ever felt it
duty to visit them in Gospel love. & thus they have felt them-
selves neglected & instead of looking to the inward monitor in their
hearts have sunk into a state of superstitious & thus adopted the
fashions of the world or gone to other foreign Societies joined
themselves to other Religious Bodies, such as been the
case with the Keturahs & Eastern Hack they have joined
the North Westward. Geo. Phillips has joined the Episcopalian
& some go out to meetings because they have been
disowned for marrying out as Jacob Wagon. Henry Martin
son of Mr. Watson. indeed felt was much grieved at his disown-
ment and it does seem a hard thing to me & always had
some more especially were nothing has been done

by advice or invitation to prevent it when this has been
done it will not be felt so keenly by the individual
disowned, he is brought to a sense of his error & he is more
resigned to his fate & is brought into a more humble state
it has not been the case with all these that they have been
disowned for marriage & and it seems strange that the
monthly meeting to disown members thus belongs that departing from
the Rules should be disowned, when no attempt has been
previously made to convince him of the fault he was
about to commit. Then again a person may marry one
who tho' not of the same Religious persuasion is yet a Christian
and whilst I know such matches are not desirable
to either party yet I think it going very close to out-
to disown such an one I moreover I do think in these
Colonies where the community is so small & the choice
a suitable choice cannot be made & the individuals are led to
seek partners from other Societies all these matters should be
taken into consideration the only circumstance is the allowing
the marriage to be performed by the Registrar if the children
not being enrolled as members until their both parents are
members - they remain in a letter to Cotton & Gully.

will with but they do not meet the views of some of the
Four Friends - the quarterly meets of 1847 I addressed
a letter upon the subject but it was judge by some better
not to bring it forward at that time as some of the members
were in an unsettled state respecting our principles
but I still think the matter ought to be considered
although there may be many objections to it. but if
an individual is to be disowned - let him if such an one be
devised & borne with and advised. considered that had we
not be thus dealt with by our Heavenly Father where
should we have been - we are in my opinion too supine
not energetic enough in striving to reclaim our members
when they seem inclined to depart & when they have
so far departed we then turn our backs upon them
& cast them off entirely. Sometimes there is great laxity
in the discipline as the Phillips have never been brought
up either to use the plain language or drop as Friends
felt it would hold a prominent place in the meeting at
Melbourne I have been led to point this out & heard in

Some months since it was proposed to have a meeting that it is

my duty to interview with him. but it is his Parents &
the members of his Monthly meets that should have seen to
this matter before he came out here & Parents have much
to answer for & they when neglecting ^{the duty} ought to be considered
as neglecting the 4th Query here is another source of
error with Friends.

There seems to have been some misund^{er}standing with ^{some} those Friends who seek out the Adelaide Meet^{ing} House I have not sufficient of the matter to pass an opinion. I do not think the spot chosen for its erection a central one and I regret that had I been obliged to sell the Cottage it was attached as ~~there~~ if it had been in the hands of the lock^{er} the person living there could have had the care of the Meet^{ing} House & now no one looks after it, the key being left under the mat in the porch & the one that arrives ^{at} the door.

The Colony appears now to be in a flourishing state, owing to the ~~great~~ ^{great} celebrity it has obtained by the richness of the Burra Burra Mine. This!

and give we appeared there. Arrived at the place in time
so many occurrences happened and we were that in
the hottest season of the year & yet with the summer heat
from a cold one thought all the pleasures of the world
in that respect we being conversant with the world of we had
been there in the well season we should have been
I scarcely able to get about now however nothing more
presented in respect to the departure of the year and
of strength & health.

Some months since it was presented to my mind that I
must visit Friends in Adelaide and it was afterwards shown
me that they do not at I must lay my case before the
yearly meeting. In which time I waited for nothing to be
at our beloved monthly meeting which I accordingly did & was
set at liberty by the Yearly Meeting to visit the families of Friends
in S. Australia & such other service as might come before me
and also after seeing the madon who has been living in
Hob. Town 3 or 4 years & formerly an emigrant to N. S. offered himself
as my companion & obtained much to the satisfaction of the
yearly meeting. We did not get a vessel to take us until the
beginning of June 1799 & were 19 days on our passage so that our absence
was long & tedious - but then with perhaps a little more I was
able to leave my practice all this while although then well known
He that requires will always make way for his performance. I felt
Hob. Town had resigned the Secretaryship to the Yearly Meeting in 1795 as the
financial state of the colony had embarrassed the funds & the Society could
no longer pay my salary & further that I felt I had done with Hob. Town
for there was something more than the mere appointment it was a principal
of duty - & my time being done a way opened for my appointment to the Parish
Hob. Town which in 1799 was entirely reduced & from the appointment
of 5 April 1799 for Sydney who had to be provided for the

redemption of several other Orphan^s States I was informed
that there was no hope for further employment for me in
the Med^l Dept. I then had only the attendance to the part of the
old Pres^l & 200 prisoners & the few Families on the Helvet on
side of Mt. Pitt attend to - a Surgeon^d. Mr. Parthey being the
medical attend^t of the Families here Mr. Pe^r he finding my
appointment reduced at the Rocky Hills & several other
suppl^rs being about to leave were determined upon
seeking to establish himself some where else & accordingly
before my departure for the yearly meet^s had arranged for
leaving the dist^l on 1st of June in the mean time he engaged
to attend to my duties in Swan Pt^l until that period - This was
that was been provided for by him who rules over the Herds of
the one could give us any informatⁿ respecting Friends in
Adelaide - not even the 1st bout we called at we were told
there were but one or 2 Friends - the next day we set off for the
City as it is termed - and although our health were low on leaving
the first mess on calling at Mr. Phillips's ultra hospital shop expecting
to find his Brother Henry Weston - there to whom G. W. H. had even
Thomas Mason a letter of introduction our inquiries were brought
lower still - there was no more of the Society in either

of them that would be found in any of the world's people
they could not tell us where we could procure lodgings
Hill. I could not receive us into his house as his wife who
near her confinement & G^l had lost a child which he was
going to bury at the Hospital at his father in law Mr. Peacher
we then left them to call upon S. Cottons Cousin Mr. Peacher
a Tanner & one of the Relyd persuaders of Independents a good
man but still not suitable to Friends - they could not tell us
of a lodging but offered us what accommodations at a ~~they~~
wh^l we gladly accepted for the present not did we feel ourselves
at liberty to leave their house altho' not so convenient &
comfortable as either of us had been accustomed to, yet there
was so much kindness & good feelings towards us & being a man of
wealth for wh^l he is entitled to his shares in the Birra hunt
& except the inconvenience of the room we occupied none
specimen why ~~inconvenience~~ could arise & we therefore felt we were
no burden to them. Having arrived we were sadly at a loss to find our friends
they did not know one another & considerable portion of our time was occupied
in finding their names & dwellings - but our minds were so much
under the sense of the very great departure of
many of those members from the presence of Friends - the
want of meetings & discipline & the very poor attendance at meet^s

our stay in this place occupied 6 weeks viz from 24th 1830 to 29th
part of it was spent in Adelaide the other in Mr Baithers & 1830 was
Sister L. M. Baithers we found the valuable friends Joseph & Hannah
May with 3 of their Sons - 4 of their Daughters 2 others being married
the one to G^t Phillips the other to H. M. P. we wish our visit to this
family was one of much comfort their family adopting the
Duty of grace of friends & a concern amongst some at least of
the family to follow in their parents foot steps, altho' at the
time we were there the sad news of their Son Joseph, who was
at Port Phillip came of his having defrauded his Master &
his being cast into Prison. he had been whilst in Dodge
very wild & dissipated & being a Quaker he was in business with
one of Phillips but he was obliged to give up business & was
till Phillips - we had a comfortable season altogether at Mr Baithers
where we visited G^t Saunders his sons & daughters by 1st Wife
& 2nd present Wife & her 2 Sons. I may hold a meeting
at his House on 1st day next & afternoon but not on any day
during the week & Sam^l Cook our friend is settled as a
Storekeeper at the Township about 3 miles from J. Mays

These meetings are generally attended by Sam^l Cook & his
wife but the Saunders's being 3 miles off find the distance
too great for their general attendance & they have a
meeting in their own house we recommended that they
should hold a weekly as well as 1st day meetings but
it seems they all think both Mays & Saunders & people of
Adelaide also that it would be impossible to attend both
meetings on week days it would interfere so much
with their secular concerns I however stated what was our
practice at Melbourne & that it was our belief the week day
meeting was made as much a blessing as that of 1st day
was much as it called forth a greater temporal sacrifice
we had also an interview with Sam^l Cook his wife he
continues steady to his Temperance Principles and careful about
his business he has a steady & careful wife a good woman
and a good mother in Adelaide a Quakerian but nevertheless she
seems favourable to Friends & meets goes generally to meetings
with him. upon the whole we have reason to believe that our
labours were blessed with these three families. My young Man
named B. M. Mays lives near G^t Saunders

