

Minutes &c.

Robert Evans

At a Meeting held at the House of Thomas James Birch,
Birchurst, St. Helens, Van Diemen's Land, on
the 29th of 5th Mo. 1853.

Present:

Horace Evans, of Albert Monthly Meeting, in the
County of Herstmonceaux, first from England to Van Diemen's Land, and
from thence to Van Diemen's Land; and

Anz Peland, a minor, of the Monthly Meeting
of Devonshire House, London (Daughter of Phillips and
Ann Peland) both resident in Hobart Town;

Evans present
at
the first Conference
in
Matters of Discipline.

James Backhouse, of the Monthly Meeting, of York,
and George Washington Walker, of the Monthly Meeting of
Newcastle, in the County of Northumberland, both of
whom are on a religious visit to this Islands and other
parts of the Southern Hemisphere.

Object of Meeting.

1. Several Individuals upon whom Names are being kept
selected having for some time past assembled for their
union according to the process of the Society of Friends in
Great Britain, and it appearing expedient that a Meeting
for Discipline should be formed and established; the above
named Members of the Society have met for that purpose
this day.

2. James Stodd, residing in the township of Falmouth,
near Patrick's Head, Van Diemen's Land, produced through
the medium of James Backhouse a Certificate of Membership
of which the following is a copy.

certificate
of
David Stead

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This is to certify that David Stead, aged thirty, at present residing in Glasgow, is a Member of the religious Society of Friends, commonly called Quakers, and of the Two Months Meeting of Edinburgh.

Dated at Glasgow this eighth day of Second Month, One thousand eight hundred and twenty seven.

signed

{ John Pickman of Edinburgh
Anthony Wisham of Glasgow
William Watson of Stanich
John Wiggin Junr. of Edinburgh
David Ball of Edinburgh
David Branson of Glasgow
W^m. Smith Junr. of Glasgow
John Maxwell M.D. of Glasgow
James Innes of Glasgow
W^m. Innes of Glasgow, Sta. Leader
Robert Innes of Glasgow
W^m. White of Glasgow.

3. James Backhouse produced his Certificate of which the following are a copy.

To the Inhabitants of the British Colonies and Settlements in New Holland, Van Diemens Land, South Africa, and elsewhere.

At a Monthly Meeting of the religious Society of Friends, commonly called Quakers, held in York in Great Britain, on the fifteenth day of the 12th Mo 1830.

Certificate of
J. Backhouse
from the
Monthly Meeting
of York.

Our Friend James Backhouse of this City having at a former Meeting communicated unto us a belief which has long deeply impressed his mind that he was called to visit in the love of the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Inhabitants of the British Colonies & Settlements in New Holland, Van Diemens Land, and South Africa and to attend to such other religious duties as in the course of his journeying he may be required to perform; the subject has at this time, as well as when first submitted to us, obtained our serious deliberation; and much sympathy having been

felt with our beloved Friend in the prospect of this arduous undertaking, and he being of circumspect life and conversation, and a Minister in good esteem amongst us, and this Meeting feeling unity with him in the proposed engagement, liberates him for the work unto which he is called.

Commending him unto the care of the great Head of the Church, to the guidance of the Holy Spirit, and to the kind notice of those amongst whom his lot may be cast; and earnestly desiring that his labours may be blessed to their spiritual benefit and the extension of the Kingdom of our Holy Relamor, and that he may be favoured to return in peace to his native Land.

It remain, in the love of the Gospel, your Friends.

Caleb Williams	Thomas Backhouse
Thomas Smith	John Duke
John Ford	Robt Waller
Henry Ransom	David Priestman
Robert Duke	George Baker
Thomas Marshall	John Bickley
Samuel Lee	Wm. Richardson
Caleb Fletcher	Wm. Prester
William Webster	Simon Webster
Robert Jackson	George Baker junr.
John Parkinson	Godfrey Ward
Joseph King	Nathaniel Pasco
Thomas R. Hills	Joseph Rowntree
Geo: Cartwright	Wm. Richardson
John Thompson	Levill Squire junr.
Henry Richardson	Henry Hobday
John Kitching	

Mary Bickhouse	Mary Knowles
Elizabeth Backhouse	Martha Fletcher
Sarah Backhouse	Catharine Mason
Elizabeth Janson	Jane Simpson
Alice Sternor	Mary Coates junr.
Sarah Baker	Alice Webster
Sarah King	Hannah Webster
Sarah Allis	Ann Cartwright

Hannah Brady
 Mary Allis
 Martha Richardson
 Ann Pustman
 Mary Hollingsworth
 Hannah Scar
 Hannah Wilson
 Elizabeth Tuke
 Elizabeth Powncey Junr.

Sarah Gummersall
 Ann Davis
 Hannah Wilkinson
 Hannah Richardson
 Maria Tuke
 Ann Wetherall
 Elizabeth Brown
 Jane Clark

To the Inhabitants of the British Colonies and
 Settlements in New Holland, Van Diemens Land, South-
 Africa and elsewhere.

At a Quarterly Meeting of the Religious Society
 of Friends, commonly called Quakers for the County of York,
 held at York in Great Britain, the twenty-ninth and
 thirtieth days of Twelfth Month, One thousand eight hundred
 and thirty. Our dear friend James Backhouse,
 has at this time stated an apprehension which has long
 attended his mind, that it is required of him in the dis-
 charge of his duty as a Minister of the Gospel to pay a
 religious Visit to the Inhabitants of your parts as described
 in the within Certificate from the Members of our Society
 constituting the Monthly Meeting of York, expressive of their
 unity and concurrence with him in the same prospect.

This Meeting has had the proposal under its serious and
 deliberate consideration, and fully participating in the feeling
 of near unity and sympathy with our dear Friend therein,
 hereby liberates him to pursue the arduous service to which
 he believes himself called.

Earnestly desiring that he may be preserved under the
 safe guidance and protecting care of his Divine Lord and
 Master, and strengthened to be faithful to all his holy
 requiring we humbly trust that his labours amongst you
 may be attended with the blessing of our Heavenly Father,
 and that after having accomplished the work assigned he
 may be restored to his Family and Friends in safety & peace.

Signed in & on behalf of the aforesaid Meeting by

Leonard West (Clark.)

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At a Yearly Meeting of Ministers & Elders of the Religious Society of Friends, commonly called Quakers, held in London, the 16th, 17th and 28th days of the 5th Mo.
One thousand eight hundred and thirty-one.

Our dear Friend James Backhouse of the City of York, a Minister of our religious Society, has stated to this Meeting, that for some years an apprehension & religious duty has rested on his mind, to visit in the love of the Gospel some of the Inhabitants of the British Colonies of New Holland, Van Diemen's Land, and South Africa.

He produced a Certificate of York Monthly Meeting, also one from the Quarterly Meeting for that County, expressing the sympathy & unity of those Meetings with him in his concern.

The magnitude and importance of the engagement have claimed the solicited consideration of this Meeting, much Christian sympathy being felt & expressed with this our dear Friend in the prospect before him, and this Meeting, feeling unity therewith, thinks it right to liberate him for the service.

Under a sense of the awful responsibility of the engagement, we reverently commit him to the protecting care and keeping of Almighty God, earnestly desiring that he may from day to day abide in deep humility, watchfulness and prayer, and be preserved in single dependence upon the leading of the Holy Spirit and may his gospel labours be blessed to the spreading and exaltation of the kingdom of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

Signed in and on behalf of the Yearly Meeting }
of Ministers and Elders, held in London, }
the 16th, 17th & 28th of the 5th Mo. 1831. }
W^r Allen, (Clerk)

4. George Washington Walker produced his Certificate of which the following is a Copy.

To the Inhabitants of the British Colonies in New Holland, Van Diemen's Land, South Africa, and elsewhere, where these may come.

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The Religious Society of Friends constituting the
Monthly Meeting of Newcastle upon Tyne, in Great Britain,
send greeting;

Our dear friend George Washington Walker having in
a sober manner spread before this assembly a religious concern
which rests with weight upon his mind to offer himself to go
out as a Companion to our dear friend James Backhouse of
the city of York, who is about to pay you a visit in gospel love;

These are to certify that he the said George Wash-
ington Walker is a Member in good esteem with us, the afore-
said Society; and that in this his ardent engagement he
has the near sympathy and cordial concurrence of this
Meeting: trusting that in surrendering himself to this service
he is moving under the direction of Him who is Lord of Heaven
and Earth.

Certificate of
Geo: W. Walker
from the
Monthly Meeting

of
Newcastle upon Tyne.

We desire that these our beloved Friends may be
preserved in the fear of God, daily walking in his counsel;
that so their circumspect conduct and their religious labours
may tend to the instruction and edification of those among
whom their lot may be cast, that many may be brought to
the knowledge of the truth, may be turned from darkness unto
light, from the power of Satan unto God: that receiving the
remission of sins through the blood of Christ Jesus our Lord,
and by the sanctifying influence of the Holy Spirit, they may
become meet to be partakers of that eternal inheritance
which he hath prepared for those who truly love and fear him.

We command these our beloved Friends to the protection
of the Lord God omnipotent through all the outward dangers
and inward conflicts of spirit which may be permitted to await
them, desiring that He may keep them in the way that they
should go, bless their labours for the honour of his Name, and
when their service is performed, be graciously pleased to permit
them to return in peace.

Under the feeling of a measure of that love which
desires that all men may be brought to the knowledge of the
Truth as it is in Jesus, and be saved. We are your Friends.

Solomon Chapman
George Richardson
Daniel Oliver

Edward Backhouse
Joshua Watson Junr.
Joseph Watson

Thomas Richardson	Thomas Robin
Jonathan Peistman	James Bills
Wm. Richardson	William Noll
Caleb Wilson	John Richardson
Anthony Clapham	John Rawlison
George Brumell	Joseph Proctor
Joshua Wilson	Geo. Alley Brown
William Brown	John Allison
William Holtham	Cobb. Richardson
William Beaumont	William Richardson
John Paul Sebourn	John Mowney Jr.
Michael Wallin	George Conthack
John Brown	John Cull
George Payner	Joshua Johnson
Edward Ford	Wm. Grinshaw
Henry Wilson	Thos. Richardson Jr.
Joshua Wilson	Edo. Bachman Jr.
James Fulton	Edward Richardson
Abel Chapman	John Hills.
Henry Tearn	

5. The Names of the Individuals referred to in the 1st. Minute (page 3) are as follows: viz:

Philipus Pollard, formerly a Member of Lewes and Chichester Monthly Meeting, who arrived in Van Diemen's Land, the 6th. of 3rd. Mor 1833.

William Paynes, formerly a Member of Westminster Monthly Meeting, and who has for some years resided with his family in this Island.

John Walton, from Woodford, in the County of Northamptonshire, who previous to his leaving England attended the Meetings of Friends.

Abraham Charles Glouc (alias Richd Edwards) a Crown Prisoner:

Mary Ann Wall, widow, a Crown Prisoner.

Mary Eade, Single Woman.

Archibald Hamilton (alias Phillips) a Crown Prisoner.

Names of Persons
attached to
Friends principles
in the
Country.

6. This Meeting deems it expedient to record the Names of those Individuals in other parts of this Island, who are attached to the religious principles of Friends; viz:

Francis Cotton of Great Swanpool formerly a Member of Southwark Monthly Meeting; and Anna Maria Cotton his wife, formerly a Member of Devonshire House Monthly Meeting.

Edward Powncey, a Crown Painter, formerly a Member of Balby Monthly Meeting, in the County of York, now in the Public Works at Richmond.

Abraham Davy, a Crown Painter, formerly of Sheffield, now in the Police Office Leytonstone.

Thomas Walton, brother of John Walton (mentioned in the 5th Minute) Rector of the said at Diss Norfolk, (as it is sometimes designated) Elizabeth Town.

Subscriptions
for
Seats.

7. The following sums have been subscribed and four seats purchased therewith, viz:

Francis Cotton	3. 0. 0
Thos Walton	1. 0. 0
David Ward	1. 0. 0
Meeting for Sufferings by Mr. glow	1. 0. 0
<u>£</u>	<u>6. 0. 0</u>

A Room engaged
for the
purpose of Worship.

8. A place being required to assemble in on First-days for Divine Worship, a Room at the upper end of Mary-
arie Street has been engaged for that purpose at the
Rent of four pounds per annum.

Time of holding
Meetings for
Worship, &c.
on First-days.

9. A Meeting for Worship has been held in the above-
mentioned Room at Eleven o'clock on First-day Mornings,
since the 7th of 4th Month last.

A Meeting has also been held in the same place at
three o'clock on First-day afternoons; but in consideration
of the state of some of those who meet with us, it has been
thought suitable to employ the afternoon in reading such portions
of the Holy Scriptures, and other Books, as are calculated
to promote religious instruction.

10. Some inconvenience having arisen from holding the afternoon

Alteration in the
time of holding the
Meeting in First day
afternoon.

First day Meeting
appointed.

Meeting on First days at three o'clock; for the better accommoda-
tion of those who meet with us, it is concluded that these
Meetings be held in future at Four o'clock in the afternoon.

11. It is agreed to hold a Meeting for Worship on Fifth-
days at Six o'clock in the evening. Thomas Squire is requested
to give notice of this arrangement and of the alteration ~~determined~~
determined upon in the precedent Minutes at the close of next
First day Morning Meeting.

At a Meeting held in the house of Thomas Jamieson,
Crouch, Bathurst Street, Hobart Town, the 5th of October
Month, 1833;
Present. James Backhouse, George Washington Walker,
Ann Pollard, Thomas Squier.

After Wesleyans
attend.

1. Several Individuals of the Wesleyan persuasion have attended our Meetings for Worship, and occasionally spoken briefly amongst these William Chorlidge and his wife Harriet, who have both latterly been very regular in their attendance.

John Wilson & family
attend.

2. John Wilson, formerly a Member of Graunchurch Street Monthly Meeting, and Margaret his wife have of late regularly attended our Meetings for Worship.

Notice was given by Thomas Squier agreeably to the 11th Minute of last Meeting.

Time of holding the
Meeting on 5th day
altered.

3. The hour of assembling on 5th day evenings having been found inconvenient, it is agreed to hold the Meeting on that day at half past six in the Evening in future.

4. The following Application addressed to this Meeting has been received at this time from Abraham Charles Flower, who for some time past has been constantly an attendant at our Meetings for Worship, and has occasionally spoken in them in the line of the Ministry.

Application of
A. C. Flower
for
Membership.

28th of 4th Mo: 1833.

Dear Friends.

I have for some time felt it a duty and a pleasure to attend your Meetings for Worship; and as I am decidedly attached to the views of Friends, I make this application to be admitted as a Member of the Society.

Abraham Charles Flower

but now in the fictitious name of Richard Edwards being in Government House. J. Backhouse & G. W. Walker are requested to visit A. C. Flower on the subject of his application & report to a future Meeting.

Robert Town.

Meeting
on the
Court House.

A. C. Flower
received into
Membership.

Membership under
present circumstances
not transferable
to other Meetings
recognized by the
Society.

At a Meeting held at the house of Thos J. Crouch,
Bathurst Street, Robert Town, the 14th of October, 1823.
Present, J. Backhouse, Geo: W^r Walker & Thomas Egusie.

1. In consequence of a Meeting for Worship held last evening in the Supreme Court House, to which, by request of James Backhouse, the Inhabitants of Robert Town were specially invited; the afternoon Meeting yesterday was omitted. The use of the Court House was granted for the above purpose by Thomas Danister, the Sheriff.

2. The Friends nominated in the 11th Minute of last Meeting to visit A. C. Flower report that the interview was satisfactory; and feeling persuaded of the sincerity of his belief in the principles of Friends, and consistent conduct therewith, this Meeting concludes to receive him as a Member.

The Friends on the former appointment are desired to inform A. C. Flower that his application has been complied with.

3. We think it right to record our conviction, that Membership granted in Van Diemen's Land cannot be construed under present circumstances as transferable to any Monthly Meeting in Great Britain or Ireland, or in North America; as this Meeting is not recognized by any of those Meetings.

Nevertheless it is the judgment of this Meeting, that should any of its Members, at a future period, remove to within the compass of any acknowledged Meeting of Friends, such persons should be furnished with Notifications of Membership to produce for the information of such Meeting; and that all persons having a right to Membership in any Monthly Meeting in Great Britain, or within the compass of any Yearly Meeting corresponding with the Yearly Meeting of London, and removing to this Colony should be encouraged to obtain Notifications of their Membership in such Meetings, and to produce them to this Meeting. And it is agreed that such

such Notifications shall be received as Certificates of Removal; provided that nothing appear in the character and conduct of the Individuals to render it unsuitable.

4. As more seats appear to be required for the convenience of those attending our Meetings: Geo: W: Walker is requested to procure two additional ones.

5. Thomas Squire requests that he give notice of the intended alteration in the hour of Meeting on a ² 1/2 day. &c.

(See Minutes 10 & 11 and Minute 3 of the two last Meetings.)

More seats
wanted.

Thomas Squire

Francis Cotton
received as a
Member.

6. Our Friend Francis Cotton of Great Leverport being now present has expressed in a feeling manner his regret at the irregularity in his conduct which occasioned him to forfeit his Membership with Friends, and his intention to apply to South-wark Monthly Meeting, by which he was disowned for reinstatement. This Meeting desires to encourage him in taking the step he proposes, and it also concludes to consider him a Member of this Meeting, feeling satisfied of his sincere repentance, and of the exercise of his mind, not only to walk himself according to the gospel as it is viewed by the Society of Friends, but also to promote those views among others, which he has on some occasions evinced by expression in the line of Ministry.

Hobart Town.

A. M. Meeting held at the house of J. J. Crouch,
Bathurst Street, Hobart Town, the 23rd of 10th Mo. 1835.
Present: James Backhouse, Geo. W. Walker, Ann P. Ward,
Abraham Charles Flower, Thomas Squire.

A. C. Flower.

Additional Seats.
provided.

Opinion
respecting the time
of Meeting on
Fifth days.

William Heath.

Hobart Town
Monthly Meeting
instituted.

1. James Backhouse reports that the Friends appointed
have informed Abraham Charles Flower that he is admitted
a Member of this Meeting.

2. George W. Walker, agreeably to his appointment has provi-
ded two additional Seats at the cost of two pounds, which
expense has been defrayed by James Backhouse and Geo. W. Walker
(on behalf of the Meeting for Sittings) and Francis Cullen of
Great Swanston jointly.

3. This Meeting taking into consideration the time of holding
our Meeting on Fifth days, is fully convinced that the Evening
is not the best for that purpose, and although present cir-
cumstances render it almost impossible to make choice of that
portion of the day, we who are now present consider the forenoon
much preferable, and think that an alteration should be made
accordingly whenever circumstances will admit.

4. William Heath, aged about Ninety, who has recently
arrived in the Colony, and is now resident in Hobart Town, states
to James Backhouse that he is a member of Guildford Monthly
Meeting, in England. J. Backhouse has received a letter from
England describing the young man as a Member of the Society.

5. It is agreed to hold a Meeting for Discipline, Monthly,
to be designated "Hobart Town Monthly Meeting of Friends,"
in the room where we now assemble in Macquarie St. for worship,
the time of holding it, for the present to be seven o'clock in the evening
of the first Fifth day in every Month.

Friends appointed to read b. This Meeting appoints Francis Squire and Abraham Charles
in Friday afternoon Friends to read in our Meetings on Friday afternoon.

Robert Towne Monthly Meeting of Friends.

1st of Nov. 1833.

Present; James Packhouse, G. W. Walker, Abraham Charles Flower, Ann Pollard, Thomas Squire.

1. Thomas Squire is requested to write to the following Monthly Meetings, viz:

To Leominster House Monthly Meeting for a Notification of Ann Pollard's membership.

To Alberni Monthly Meeting for a Notification of his own membership; and

To Guildford Monthly Meeting for a Notification of William Gauth's membership.

Notifications of
Membership to be
written for.

Collection of
Books
presented.

2. James Packhouse and Gen. W. Walker having presented to the Meeting a Collection of Books, selected chiefly from those entrusted to their care and disposal by the Meeting for Sufferings of Friends in London, Thomas Squire, Abt. that Flower and Ann Pollard are requested to take charge of the same.

Hobart Town Monthly Meeting of Friends,
held in the Meeting Room in Macquarie Street;
12th of 12th Month 1833.

Present, Abraham Charles Pocock and Thomas Smith.

M. A. Wall
presented coming to
Meetings.

1. Mary Ann Wall, an individual in the employ of
servant in the family of Lieut. Governor Arthur, and who
has for some time past attended our Meetings for Worship,
has hitherto been prevented from so doing: This Meeting
is informed that Prof. Smith and Fleet Officer Pollard recently
had an interview with the Lieut. Governor on the subject
who promised to make inquiry into the cause of her detention.

2. Abraham Charles Pocock informs the Meeting that he
has received a Note from Mary Ann Wall containing an applica-
tion to be admitted a Member of our Society, & that the Note
is in his possession, but that he has omitted to bring it with
him.

3. Several reasons appearing why the Monthly Meeting
Time of holding the same should be held on the first Fifth day instead of the first
Mo. Met: altered. Sixth day in the Month, it is agreed to hold the Monthly
Meeting on the first Fifth day in future.

Robert Town.

Robert Town Monthly Meeting of Friends,
held at the house of J. F. Crouch, Bathurst Street,
by postponement on the 11th, of the 1st Mo. 1834.

Present, James Backhouse, Geo. W. Walker, Wigham
Ch. Crouch, Henry Thistlethwaite, Thos. Squire.

Monthly Meetings
omitted in course.

1. The Members of the Monthly Meeting being reduced to
less in number circumstances occurred to prevent it being held
in course during the 1st, 2nd & 3rd Months of this year.

Alteration in the
place of meeting.

2. It having been found necessary to alter the place of
holding the Meeting for Worship from Macquarie Street, it was
held for a short time in a house occupied by Thos. H. Pollard,
and has subsequently for greater convenience been
held in the house of William Pollard, in the New Town
Road, who has gratuitously afforded the accommodation.

The Rent of the last Quarter in Macquarie Street was
paid by a contribution among the persons who met there.

Alteration in the
time of holding the
Meeting on Fifth days.

3. Agreeably to the judgment expressed in the 3rd Minute
of the 23rd of 10th Mo. last, it is concluded to hold the
Meeting for Worship on Fifth days at 10 o'clock in the
forenoon.

W. A. Wall again
attends Meetings.

4. This Meeting is informed that the impediment to
Mary Ann Wall attending our Meeting has been removed.

5. A. C. Flower produced the following Application from
Mary Ann Wall.

To the Members of the Society of Friends.
Dear Friends.

"I feel more satisfaction in attending your
Meetings than any other place of Worship, and I am desirous
of being admitted a Member of your Society being convinced
that the views held by the Society are strictly Scriptural."

(Signed) Mary Ann Wall.

This Meeting appoints J. Backhouse, Geo. W. Walker, and

W. A. Wall's
application for
Membership.

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Abraham Chat. Flower to visit Maytown Hall on the subject
of his Application and Report.

b. The following Application and accompanying Letter have
been received from Abraham Davy. (Abraham Davy is the
offspring of a mixed marriage among Friends; he is a Nonon
Prisoner, employed in the Police Office, Lancaster.)

Ab: Davy
Application for
Membership.

To the Abol. Socy. Monthly Meeting of Friends.

"Having been informed by our dear Friends
James Backhouse and Geo: W. Walker, much to my encou-
ragement and comfort, that a few persons were awakened and
brought to sit down together under the teaching of the
Lord, in Abol. Town. & that a Monthly Meeting was estab-
lished. I have to acquaint you, that being deeply convinced
that the principles of Christianity as held by the Society of Friends,
not only accord with Holiness, and the doctrines of the primitive
Church, but also with the manifestations of the Eternal Spirit;
and having adopted these principles in every particular, although
very reluctantly to the flesh, I have therein found much inward
peace and comfort, and am encouraged to press forward in the
Christian warfare, having experienced that our Captain is at
hand, an all-sufficient help in every time of need.

I therefore apply to you to be admitted a Member of your
religious Community."

(Signed) Abraham Davy.

Lancaster ?
9th of 1st Mo: 1834 }

Lancaster, 9th of 1st Mo: 1834.

Dear Friends.

"Thinking it might be interesting to you to be
acquainted with the manner I have passed my First-days for
the last few months, I take this opportunity of doing so.
The earlier part of my confinement I spent the mornings in
a retired place out of town, and many comforting and refreshing
scenes I have experienced; but latterly, we (for I have since
been joined by two pious young men, named John Smith and
George Gould) have met in the School-room, & it has been our
happy lot to feel that Jesus our blessed Redeemer still contin-
ues to teach as never man taught.

Letter from
Ab: Davy.

As

"As I hope to be in Hobart Town at the ensuing Monthly Meeting, I conclude, with my love to you all; and subscribe myself,"

Your sincere friend.

Abraham Dasy."

Mr. Davy
received into
Membership.

The Friends of this Meeting having had an opportunity of seeing and conversing with Abraham Dasy, and being satisfied that he is convinced of the truth of the Principles of Friends, and is humbly endeavouring to walk in accordance with them, agree to receive him into Membership.

This Meeting appoints James Backhouse to inform Abraham Dasy of its compliance with his request.

7. The following Application has been received from George Fridgee Story. "To Hobart Town Mo. Mt. of Friends."

"Great Swarport 15th of 3^d Mo. 1834.

"Dear Friends.

Having believed it my duty to adopt the religious views of the Society of Friends, I have been led to seek an union with you, and trust my desire may meet with your concurrence."

"I remain with love, your Friend.

George F. Story.

On the recommendation of James Backhouse and Geo: W. Walker who, during some weeks residence in the family of Francis Cotton, have had an opportunity of becoming intimately acquainted with the sincere and consistent conduct of the applicant, this Meeting agrees to accede to his request, and he is accordingly received as a Member of our Religious Society.

James Backhouse is requested to transmit him information to this effect.

8. An Application as follows has been received from Anna Maria Cotton, formerly a Member of Devonshire House Mo. Mt.

"Hobart, Great Swarport 3^d Mo. 15th 1834.

"To Hobart Town Monthly Meeting of Friends.

Dear Friends

Being fully convinced of the religious principles of the Society of Friends, and of their accordance with the great truths of the gospel, it is my desire to become a Member of your

Mr. Story
received into
Membership.

Mr. Cotton's
Application for
Membership.

religious Society, and trust to meet with your concurrence.
I remain with love your Friend.

Anna Maria Cotton."

A. M. Cotton
received into
Membership.

James Brackhouse and Geo. W. Walker have informed this Meeting that during their sojourn in F. & M. Cotton's family, they had a favourable opportunity of becoming acquainted with the state of Anna Maria Cotton's mind. Briefly visiting the causes that led to her disownment by the Society some years ago, and anxious to be reconciled, she has thought it her duty to make application to that effect to Devonshire House Monthly Meeting, which James Brackhouse and Geo. W. Walker have thought it right to second with their recommendation. They have also remarked with much satisfaction her conscientious adoption of some of those peculiar testimonies which Friends have uniformly believed themselves called upon to bear, but from which in a season of weakness she had in measure declin'd; and believing her profusions to be sincere, and her general conduct correspondent therewith, J. Brackhouse & G. W. Walker have stated it as their decided opinion that Anna Maria Cotton's request should be acceded to. This Meeting having seriously weighed the matter, and the situation of the Party being so remote as to render it difficult to visit her, has come to the conclusion that it is proper to receive Anna Maria Cotton into Membership. & Geo. W. Walker is requested to inform her of this decision.

Application of
F. & M. Cotton
for their Children
to be received into
Membership, and
approval of the
Monthly Meeting.

9. An application as below has also been received from Francis & Anna Maria Cotton for the admission of their seven children into Membership (viz. Francis, Anna Maria, Thomas, Mary, George and John) and this Meeting being satisfied of the care of their parents to train them up in a religious life and conversation, consistent with our Christian profession, otherwise accedes to this request.

Geo. W. Walker is desired to make this decision known to the parents.

Reliveden, Great Swanport 15th of 3rd Mo. 1834
To Elbート Town Monthly Meeting of Friends.
Dear Friends.

We have to request on the behalf of our
children

"Children, viz: Henry Francis, Anna Maria, Thomas, Mary, George and John, that they may be admitted Members of your Religious Society, and trust to obtain your concurrence therin."

We remain with love, your Friends

Francis Cotten

Anna Maria Cotten."

10. Henry Thistlethwaite a young man lately arrived as an emigrant to this Colony, has produced a Notification of his being a Member of the Society of Friends, bearing the signature of four Friends in their private capacity. Jas. Backhouse is requested to apply for a Notification from Brighton Monthly Meeting, of which H. Thistlethwaite states he is a Member.

Memo:

Abraham Charles Flower became free on the 26th of 10th Month 1833, his sentence of seven years having expired.

Memo:

The Monthly Meeting has been informed through James Backhouse and Jas. W. Walker that Francis Cotten has applied to Southgate Monthly Meeting, according to his intention referred to in the Minute of 14th of 10th Mo. 1833, and that the application is duly forwarded to England.
(1st of 5th Month 1834.)

H. Thistlethwaite.

A. C. Flower.

Francis Cotten.

Hobart Town Monthly Meeting of Friends,
held at the house of William Holdship, Newgate-Street,
the 1st of 5th Month, 1834.

Hobart Town.

Present; James Backhouse, Geo. W. Walker, A. C. Flower,
Henry Hirstethwaite, Thomas Squier.

M. A. Wall
received into
Membership.

1. The Friends appointed to visit Mary Ann Wall report that their interview with her was satisfactory, and this Meeting believing that she is sincerely convinced of the principles of Friends, and is concerned to act consistently therewith, it is concluded that she henceforth be considered a Member. A. C. Flower is requested to communicate this information by handing her a copy of the above Minute.

Abn. Davy.

2. The Minute by which James Backhouse is desired to inform Abraham Davy respecting his reception into Membership is continued, J. Backhouse having received no answer to his communication on that subject.

A. W. Cotton
and G. F. Story.

3. Geo. W. Walker states that Anna Maria Cotton has been apprised of this Meeting's decision respecting herself & children, as recorded in the 8th & 9th Minutes of our last.

G. F. Story has also been informed that he is admitted into Membership. No reply has yet been received by Geo. W. Walker in answer to his communication.

Application for
Membership from

4. The following Application has been received from William Rayner the elder and read in this Meeting. Jas. Backhouse,
A. C. Flower, & Geo. W. Walker are appointed to visit him

and report.
" " " The Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Hobart
Wm. Rayner, jun. Town, the 1st of 5th Mon. 1834.

Dear Friends.

I have a sincere desire to become a Member
of the Religious Society of Friends from the inward & spiritual
conviction of mind I have experienced from our first meeting
held at this place, as well as being brought up and educated
amongst

amongst Friends, and I hope Friends will from an opportunity this have had of observing my conduct before my destination and acknowledge me a Member.

W^m Rayns, Secy.

5. An application from Theophilus Pollard to be received into Membership has been submitted to this Meeting, of which the following is a Copy. Jas. Backhouse, A. C. Floss and Dr. W. Walker are requested to confer with him thereupon and report at our next.

To Friends of the Monthly Meeting in Liverpool.

Application for
Membership from
Theophilus Pollard.

"Although I am aware that it is proper for me to apply to the Monthly Meeting of Liverpool for those Friends to constitute me into Membership by whom I am known, I have felt a desire to be received by you as a Member of this Particular Meeting, being aware at the same time that your receiving me here could not make me a Member of the Society at home, besides the Monthly Meeting by which I was disowned should also feel entitled to vindicate me. I have to inform you that I have written to Friends of that Monthly Meeting, and have endeavoured to show them the deep feelings of sorrow and humble confession that I have had to pass through on account of the reproach and disgrace brought on the Society by my misconduct. I have to add, I believe it would be a strength and very great comfort to me indeed, if Friends can feel easy to receive me into Membership in this Particular Meeting, as it must take a long time before an answer can be received from England.

"I fervently desire that I may by patiently waiting in humble watchfulness experience a growth in the Truth, to the very great comfort of my friends, as well as myself, and I hope to the end of my days I shall be found not only willing but desirous at all times to use my feeble endeavours to add to the comfort of my friends, and also to my fellow-men, in whatever way of duty may from time to time be pointed out."

I am, with love,

Newtown North, year } Your sincere friend
Robert, Jan. 4th 1834 } Theophilus Pollard."

Proposition to
Friends of Great
Scrapfort.

6. It is concluded to propose to the Friends of Great Scrapfort, that this Meeting be held alternately here and at Helsthorpe Town, the Minutes of every month to be transmitted to the Friends here, place respectively for comment and approval, prior to final confirmation by the Particular Meeting from whence they originated.

It is hoped that the Monthly Meeting will be more strengthened by this arrangement than by holding it uniformly in Helsthorpe Town, where it is not to be expected Scrapfort Friends can often attend.

James Packhouse is desired to correspond with the Friends of Great Scrapfort on this subject, informing them at the same time when Meetings are held here in course.

Reading in
Meetings on
First-day afternoons

7. This Meeting is of opinion that the important distinction between Divine Worship and mere religious instruction by reading should ever watchfully be maintained by Friends; and the circumstances under which Friends meet on First day afternoons being now considerably altered, particularly in their having regular subsisted.

access to a Library of Friends' Books that has recently been presented to the Meeting, it is agreed that the public reading on these occasions shall be in future discontinued. If any thing require to be communicated through such a medium to Friends publicly assembled for Divine Worship, it is recommended that it be done at the conclusion of such Meetings rather ^{than} during the continuance of those held specially for public Worship.

Adjournment.

8. This Meeting adjourns to this day two weeks.

Robert Town.

Robert Town adjourned Monthly Meeting of Friends,
held at the house of William Hitchcock, Merton Road,
the 15th of 5th Mo. 1834.

Meet pursuant to adjournment:

Present: James Backhouse, John Chal. Lever, Mary
Ann Hall, and Geo. W. Walker.

William Rayner
received into
Membership.

9. The Friends appointed to visit William Rayner report
that the visit was much to their satisfaction: They have
reason to believe that for some time past he has acted consist-
ently with the Principles of Friends in which he was brought
up, and an attachment to which he does not appear ever to
have entirely lost, though for many years he considerably
declined in practice.

The Meeting having given the subject its serious consider-
ation, it is concluded to accede William Rayner's request,
and to regard him henceforth as a Member.

James Backhouse is requested to inform Mr. Rayner
of this decision.

Phœbadius Pollard
received into
Membership.

10. The Friends on the appointment to enquire with Phœbadius
Pollard state that they have now had an acquaintance with
him of some standing, during which he has made a full acknowl-
edgment of his deviations when in England, of which spread
has been brought upon his profession at home; he has at various
times expressed feelings of deep contrition that have been borne
out by his general conduct, which so far as known since his
arrival in this land has been consistent with the Principles of
Friends; he has also been particularly ready to receive, and to
act upon the counsel of his Friends who have taken an inter-
est in his case; having likewise made a full acknowledgment
of his faults to the Monthly Meeting to which he formerly be-
longed with a request to be reinstated into Membership; the
Friends on this appointment are of the judgment that his present
application should be acceded to.

This Meeting concurring in the views above expressed, agree

To receive Theophilus Pollard into membership, and, A. S. Fower is requested to inform him thereof.

Removal of
Friends Library
determined on.

Rule respecting
Members of Society
emigrating here.

Removal of
Members.

Removal of some
not in
Membership.

11. The distance of T. Pollard's residence, where Friends' Library is at present kept, having been taken into consideration; the Friends appointed to take charge of the Books are empowered to remove them to the house of William Heathcote, for the greater convenience of those who incline to borrow them, the latter individual having kindly offered to take charge of them.

Theophilus Pollard is added to the Friends who have ^{the} care of the same.

12. It is concluded that persons coming to this Colony professing Membership with Friends in England shall not on that account be considered as Members of the Society in Van Diemen's Land, unless they produce Notifications of Membership from the Monthly Meetings to which they belong: but that it shall not be considered out of order for them to attend our Meetings for Discipline, unless in cases in which the said Meetings shall state an objection.

13. It is agreed to enter upon record the removals of Members from one place to another.

The following is reported at this time.

Ann Pollard, a Member of the Society, at present residing in the family of Francis Cullen, Belvoir, Great Swinford.

14. In accordance with the 6th Minute of the 20th of 9th Mo. 1833, (page 10) the following notices are recorded:

William Heathcote, a Member of Guildford Monthly Meeting now resides with James Savery, on the east side of the Derwent, near New Norfolk. (See 11th Minute 10th Mo. 23rd 1833 page 15.)

Edward Roonaire & Archibald Phillips, who attended our Meetings in Hobart Town, meet for worship along with another individual on Friday days, and occasionally on other days of the week at Richmond, where they are employed in the Public Works.

15. The following statement of Receipts and Disbursements on account of this Meeting has been produced by Revd W. Walker.

Rev Robert Towne M.D. in account with J. Packhouse and Geo. W. Walker Esq.

1833			1833		
4 M ^o 5	To 10 days for Forms	6. 0. 0	3 M ^o 29	By F. Cotton's donation	3. 0. 0
6	To Table	11. 8. 4	4. 5	To Mattos do.	1. 0. 0
10. 7	To Minuti Book	12. 0. 0	6. 25	To Stead do.	1. 0. 0
	To Quaker Rent	1. 0. 0	10. 14	To Cotton's do.	1. 0. 0
19	To Morning paper	2. 0. 0	12. 13	To Davy's do.	1. 0. 0
			17	To do. do. do.	1. 0. 0
				Balance carried down	2. 3. 8
		£ 10. 3. 8			£ 10. 3. 8
12 M ^o 17	To Balance left down	2. 3. 8		Discharged to age of Nov 1 st for offspring by H. P. Walker	2. 3. 8

16. The propriety of taking into consideration the cases of Graham Charles Tower and Francis Cotton, who for sometime past have spoken in our Meetings in the line of the Ministry, — propriety it is acknowledged, with a view to record them on this Meeting's Minutes as approved Candidates, has been suggested at this time.

The subject appears to claim the serious deliberation of Friends, and it is accordingly agreed to resume it at our next, and that it be taken up first in course.

Robert Town

Robert Town Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at the
house of Wm. Hildeship, Newcomen Road, the 5th of 5th Mo.
1834.

Present, Geo. W. Walker; Abt. C. Flower, Thos. Pollard,
William Wagner and James Backhouse.

A.C. Flower
recorded as a
Minister.

Francis Cotton
recorded as a
Minister.

Recommendation
to Wm. Shoebridge
seriously to consider
the propriety of his
maintaining silence
in our Meetings.

1. The subject of recording our Friend Abt. C. Flower as an
apprendice Minister has been under solid consideration at this
time, and this Meeting, being unity with his labours in this
line of service, hereby accords him as a Minister in unity
with Friends.

2. This Meeting has had under weighty deliberation the
gospel labours of our Friend Francis Cotton of Great Swanport,
and under the conviction that he has received a gift in the
Ministry, which it is his care to exercise under the feeling of
the Divine Anointing, it hereby accords him as a Minister
in unity with Friends.

3. The communications of William Shoebridge, who for some
time past has attended our Meetings for Worship, and spoken
in them in the line of the Ministry, but who is not a Member
of the Society, have been seriously considered at this time.
While this Meeting would express its belief that these com-
munications may have originated in the sincere feelings of
William Shoebridge's mind, and have been expressed by him
with well meant intentions, yet from their not being generally
attended with edification to the minds of others, especially of
those who comprise this Monthly Meeting, it is their united
judgment that their friend William Shoebridge should be
requested, seriously and in humility before the Lord to consider
whether those meditations he has thought it his place to express
in Meetings for Worship, were not designed rather for his indi-
vidual edification than to be communicated in behalf of others;
and at the same time in the spirit of love they advise him
to withhold the expression of any more cogitations of the mind
that are not accompanied with the workings, Dower of the Holy
Spirit

6. In future, if it is necessary to resolve a dispute, information from all the firms
involved in the distribution of the firm's products will be gathered by the firm.
7. Each firm will be asked to provide a detailed description of its contribution to the
firm's products and services, and to explain how it can improve its contribution.
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March 1837
Dear Mr. Whittier, Will you let me know if you have
a safe and comfortable ride between Boston and New
England. I am anxious to get to Boston as soon as
possible.

1888 March 15th 1888

1. The following communication from the General Agent
of the Freedmen's Bureau, and a corresponding letter from General Butler, follow.

11. *Prologue* & *Epitome* of *Principles* of *Practical* *Mathematics*

that extremely following from such as the Shewsbury
the Duke of ~~the~~ Shewsbury & the Duke of Shewsbury

when Meetings are held how in course?

(Copy) 19th W. Walkin.

(Clerk at this time)

Acceptance of
Proposition.

1. Although sensible of their own weakness and the great responsibility attached to the acceptance of the proposal of Friends of Hobart Town Monthly Meeting, communicated in their Minute of the 1st of 8th Month, through their dear friend Jas. Packhouse, yet desirous with a humble view to promote the welfare of the Society in this distant land, they have felt strengthened to accede to the said proposal; and they further surmise that the first Monthly Meeting held at Great Swanport be on the first Fifth-day in the ensuing Month Month, and on the last Fifth-day of every alternate month.

Time of holding
Meetings.

2. The Friends of Hobart Town Monthly Meeting are informed, that Meetings for Worship in Great Swanport are held on First and Fifth days at Eleven o'clock; and that a Meeting for religious instruction is held on First day Evenings, at which the assigned servants regularly attend.

Proposed
Yearly Meeting.

3. Our dear friend Jas. Packhouse having in his letter recommended that either one or more Conferences be held in Hobart Town, at which all the Members of the Society should endeavour to be present, and that such Meeting should assume an appropriate name corresponding to the purpose of its being held; this Meeting suggests that in the present state of the Society, the proposed winter Conference should take place but once in the year, in the tenth Month, at Hobart Town, and that such Conference should be styled the "Yearly Meeting."

This Meeting leaves it with Friends of Hobart Town Monthly Meeting to fix the date and time of such Yearly Meeting being held.

Francis Cotton is requested to correspond with the Friends of Hobart Town Monthly Meeting informing them of our deliberations.

To Friends of Hobart Town Monthly Meeting.

Dear Friends.

Letter from
Francis Cotton.

I herewith transmit a copy of the deliberations of a Conference held at Hobart Town, Great Swanport, on the 22nd of 5th Mo. 1834, to take into consideration your tenth Minute of the 1st of said Month, communicated through our dear Friend James.

James Backhouse. Trusting the same will be satisfactory to your
Meeting, I remain with love, your Friend,
Francis Colton.

8. This Meeting concurs with the suggestion of Friends of
Monthly Meeting at Great Swanport, convened in their first Minute, the next Monthly
Meeting will therefore fall in concert Great Swanport.

9. The third Minute of the Conference of Friends of Great Swanport has been under consideration, and it is concluded that a
united Conference of Friends on Van Diemen's Land annually
held to be styled "Van Diemen's Land Yearly Meeting of
Friends"; and that any subjects which Friends of Hobart Town
and Swanport may not have united in judgment upon be
determined in their Yearly Meeting.

The time of holding the first Yearly Meeting remains
undetermined.

10. James Backhouse informs the Meeting that he communicated to W. Rayner information of the decision of the adjourned
Monthly Meeting of the 15th of the 5th Month to admit him as
a Member.

11. Philipus Pollard has been informed that his applica-
tion for Membership has been acceded to.

12. This Meeting is informed that the Library of Friends
Books, has not yet been removed to the house of William
Holdship.

13. It is concluded that Henry Thistlethwaite be not
allowed to attend our Meetings for Discipline on account of
his neglect of attending those for Worship, & other irregular
conduct. James Backhouse states that he wrote to Benjamin
Seaboham of Bradford, Yorkshire, requesting a Verification
of the Membership of Henry Thistlethwaite from Bingley
Monthly Meeting; and that he has much doubt of the Verification
produced by H. Thistlethwaite being genuine, especially as the signature
of Benjth Seaboham was misread Seaboham.

Yearly Meeting
proposed—
its object.

William Rayner.

Philipus Pollard.

Removal of
Friends Library.

H. Thistlethwaite
excluded from
Meeting for
Discipline.

Register Notes of
W^m. Rayner's
Marriage.

Birth Notes of
W^m. Rayner's
Children.

14. Register Notes of the Marriages of William Rayner - first to Elizabeth Gethsmith on Norfolk Island, and second to Susannah Chapman at Newcastle, New South Wales, have been brought in and are recorded at the end of this Minute Book.

15. Register Notes have also been produced for William and George Rayner, the children of William & Elizabeth Rayner; and for Elizabeth, Sarah, Isabella, Peter, Lydia, Susannah, and Archer Rayner, children of W^m. Susannah Rayner; which are entered in the Registers at the end of this Minute Book.

Though there is defect in the information contained in some of the before-mentioned Registers it is as complete as circumstances afford.

None of the Particulars, except W^m. Rayner the elder, are in Membership with Friends.

16. The following Application for Membership has been received.

To the Monthly Meeting, Hobart Town
5th of Oct^o. Mo. 1834

Dear Friends.

It is my sincere wish and desire to become a Member of the Society of Friends. I have not joined with any Society, nor have I been baptized with Water baptism; and with a conscientious feeling and deep exercise of mind that I sometimes experience, I hope I shall be accepted, and I truly believe with the help of the Lord I shall not do any thing for which Friends will have reason to be sorry for receiving me as a Member.

Isabella Rayner.

Mr. C. Power, J. P. Backhouse, & G. W. Walker are appointed to visit Isabella Rayner thereon.

17. The following Application for Membership, addressed to James Backhouse has been received: They, C. Power, G. W. Walker, & A. C. Power are appointed to visit Mr. Holdship thereon, and to report.

Friends

"Friend James Backhouse.

W^m Holdship's
application for
Membership.

I understand it is usual for a person
who has a desire to become a Member of the Society of Friends
to apply at your Monthly Meeting to be approved of.

I therefore inform thee that it is my sincere wish to become
a Member of your respected Society of Friends, thereby hoping to
be built up and instructed in the way of salvation through my
Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ."

Robert Town
3rd of 6th Mo. 1834. }

W^m Holdship.

Great Swanport.

Hubert Town Monthly Meeting of Friends,
held at the house of Francis Cotton, Holweden, Great Swanport,
on the 10th of 7th Mo: 1834; postponed from the 3rd inst.
Present; Francis Cotton, Anne Maria Cotton, Geo. F. Story
Ann Pollard, & several of 7. & 8. Mo. Cotton's children.

Minutes transmitted to Hubert Town.
Minutes transmitted to Hubert Town Monthly Meeting.

F. Cotton appointed
Clerk.

2. This Meeting requests Francis Cotton to take the office
of Clerk to the Meeting.

Notice of
Minutes.

3. The Clerk reports that he has received the following
Minutes from Hubert Town Monthly Meeting held there
the 5th of 6th Month 1834.
(See Minutes, pages 29 to 34.)

Approval of
Minutes.

4. The 9th, 12th, 16th & 17th Minutes are contained; the
remainder are satisfactory to this Meeting. Agreed with its full
unity.

Time of holding the 5. With reference to the 9th Minute, the Friends of
Yearly Meeting. Holweden propose that the Yearly Meeting be held in
Hubert Town on the second Fifth day in the 10th Mo. annually.

Report in
Isabella Raynor's
case.

6. The Report of the Committee appointed to visit Isabella
Raynor has been received, viz:

To Hubert Town Monthly Meeting of Friends.

In accordance with our appointment we have
visited Isabella Raynor on her application for Membership;
our interview with her was satisfactory. Though she is young
in religious experience, we believe her to be convinced of the
principles of our Society, and endeavouring to act in conformity
to the manifestations of the Holy Spirit, as perceived by her in
the seal of her own mind; trusting also for the remission of
past

past sins in the sacrifice of Christ.

We think that her religious exercises may be encouraged by the Monthly Meeting according to her request."

James Backhouse.

Robert Town } George W. Walker
19th of 6th Mo. 1834 } Abraham C. Flower.

Isabella Payne
received into
Membership.

And, after serious consideration of the same, it is our judgment that Friends in Robert Town may safely admit Isabella Payne into Membership.

7. The following Report of the Committee appointed to visit W^m. Holdship has been received, viz:

"To Robert Town Monthly Meeting of Friends.

Report in
W^m. Holdship
case.

We have had an interview with W^m. Holdship according to our appointment. His mind appears to have been peacefully visited, and to have been turned to the teachings of the Holy spirit, dispersed through the mediation of Christ; under these impressions he has acquainted himself with the writings and doctrines of Friends, and has diligently compared them with the Holy scriptures; an examination that has resulted in his entire conviction of their accordance with one another. We have reason to believe that he is also sincerely endeavoring to act consistently with our religious principles.

The result of our visit to W^m. Holdship being highly satisfactory to our minds, it is our judgment that Friends would do well to accede to his request to be admitted into Membership.

W^m. Holdship
is received into
Membership.

Robert Town }
19th of 6th Mo. 1834 }

Geo W. Walker

Peppha Pollard,
Abraham C. Flower.

This Meeting fully concurs with the recommendation of the committee.

Copy of Minutes
ordered.

8. The Clerk is directed to transmit Copies of the Minutes of this Meeting when held at Swampport, to the Monthly Meetings held at Robert Town for their approval.

Robert Town Monthly Meeting of Friends,
held at the house of Mr. Goldship, on the Newton
Road, on the 7th of 8th Mo. 1824.

Robert Town.

Recent. Francis Cotton, Abt. Chas. Lower, Ps: Apis,
Geo. W. Walker, Shephard Pollard, Jas. Backhouse, and
Wm. Rayner; and in the latter part of the Meeting, William
Goldship.

Notice of
Minutes.

1. The Minutes of the Monthly Meeting held at
Buxton on the 10th of 7th Mo. have been read.

W. Goldship's
reappliance
confirmed.

2. This Meeting concurring in judgment with that held at
Buxton on the 10th of 7th Mo. in the case of Mr. Goldship,
having received him as a Member of the Society of Friends.
Geo. W. Walker is requested to inform him of this decision.

Geo. W. Walker
recorded as a
Minister.

3. This Meeting having had under its serious consideration the
religious labours of our dear friend George Washington Walker;
and feeling unity with them, hereby records him as an approved
Minister of the Society of Friends, and expresses its satisfaction
with his proceeding in this capacity as the Companion of our
dear Friend James Backhouse in his religious visit to
this Colony and other parts of the world, as noticed in his
Certificate from Friends in England.

Wm. Shootbridge

4. James Backhouse informs this Meeting that he handed
William Shootbridge a copy of the 3rd Minute of the 5th
of 6th Month, which he received agreeably.

Time of holding the
Yearly Meeting.

5. The fifth Minute of the 10th of 7th Month has
been considered at this time; and it is now proposed to hold
the Yearly Meeting on the sixth day following the said
fifth day in the 10th Month, at Ten o'clock.

Friends Library.

6. The Meeting is informed that the Library has been removed
to the house of Mr. Goldship, who is added to the Friends in
charge.

7. The case of Isabella Paynes has again been considered, and it is concluded to confirm the judgment expressed by Friends of Swanport, and to receive her into Membership. Membership.

J. Backhouse is appointed to inform her of this decision.

Application for 8. The following Application for Membership has been Membership from received from Sarah Benson Mather. Francis Cotton, Sarah Benson Mather, Geo. W. Walker and Jas. Backhouse are appointed to visit her thereon.

"Lancaster, 6th of July Month 1834.

"Having been for a considerable time fully convinced of Friends principles, and seeing that Friends Meetings are far more profitable to me than those of any other denomination of Christians that I have attended, I sincerely desire to be admitted as a Member."

"Sarah Benson Mather."

To the Monthly Meeting of
the Society of Friends.

9. The following Application for Membership has been received from Mary Gibbs, alias Mary Gibbs Eade, now resident in the family of Francis Cotton at Roseidon, Great Swanport. Francis Cotton, Geo. W. Walker, & Jas. Backhouse are appointed to have an interview with her thereon. Anna Maria Cotton is also requested to unite with the Committee in visiting Mary Eade.

"To the Society of Friends, Hobart Town.

Convinced of the necessity & decision of character, also of the necessity of walking in the presence of God, humbly and uprightly, hoping through God's grace to be able to continue with all consistency and due subjection, as becoming a humble believer in Jesus my Saviour, whom I hope to be able to follow, I beg to be admitted a Member of the Society."

"Mary Gibbs Eade."

7th Mo: 11th 1834.

10. The following Application for Membership has been received from Robt Andrews Mather, of Lauderdale: Friends Letter A.C. Peters and Jas. Backhouse are appointed to visit him theron.

"To the Hobart Town Monthly Meeting of Friends.

Application for
Membership from
Robt. A. Mather.

"Having been at various times, brought under much exercise of mind, and I believe by the Spirit of God; and seeing the necessity and comfort of being reconciled to God as his Son; and seeing the benefit of being joined in Christian fellowship with some religious body; from what I have read of your principles, and from the conclusion I have drawn that they are in strict accordance with the Scriptures, I have felt it my duty to adopt them, and to make this Application to you to be admitted as a Member into your Society, trusting it shall not be in vain."

Hobart Town } " Robert Andrews Mather."
7th of 8th Mo: 1834 }

Alteration in time of
holding First & Last
Meetings.

Abraham Davis.

Stephen Tree,
alias
John Wilson.

11. This Meeting is informed that the hour of Meeting on 7th days at Hobart Town, has been altered from ten to eleven o'clock.

12. Jas. Backhouse states that he has received a letter from Abraham Davis informing him that he sits down for Worship, at his own lodgings in Launceston, regularly on First days at eleven and four o'clock, and on Fifth days at Six o'clock. Some other individuals occasionally meet with him.

13. By a letter addressed to J. B. Backhouse & G. W. Walker, a young man named Wilson, previously a Member of Southwark Mt. Meet, now a Crown Prisoner assigned to Major Shaw of Bothwell, & passing under the fictitious name of John Wilson, desires to be recommended to the notice & love of Friends here: he is in the practice of rising to a squeamish spot near his master's residence with upon the Lord, and expresses much penitence in alluding to his past transgressions. This Meeting feels for him, & desires his encouragement in maintaining a faithful exercise of soul before the Lord, & in walking in the path of Christian self-denial, which alone is the path of peace; it wishes also to hear from him from time to time, that it may know the state of his religious progress.

Great Swanport.

Hobart Town Monthly Meeting of Friends,
held at Hobart Town, Great Swanport, on the
15th of 9th Month 1834.

Present; Jas. Backhouse, Geo. W. Walker, Geo. S. Story,
Ann Pollard, R. & L. M. Collier and four of their children.

Minutes.

1. The Minutes of Hobart Town Monthly Meeting, held
there on the 7th of 8th Mo. last, have been read.

William Fellowship.

2. Geo. W. Walker informs the Meeting that he applied
W^m Fellowship of his application for Membership being
seconded to.

Geo. W. Walker
seconded as a
Minister.

3. The subject of the 3rd Minute of the 1st of 8th Month
having been read; this Meeting after having solemnly considered
the same is of the judgment that the Minute be confirmed.

The Clerk is desired to hand a Copy of the said Minute
to George Washington Walker.

Yearly Meeting.

4. The 5th Minute of last Month is confirmed.
The first Yearly Meeting will therefore be held in Hobart-
Town, on Saturday the 3rd of 10th Mo. next, at ten o'clock.

Isabella Rayner.

5. James Backhouse reports that Isabella Rayner has
been informed of the decision of the Monthly Meeting respecting
her application for Membership.

Report on
S. B. Mather's
case.

6. The following report of the Friends appointed to visit
Sarah Weston Mather on her application for Membership
has been received.

" To Hobart Town Monthly Meeting of Friends.

It proceeded from Hobart Town, on our road
to Swanport, by way of Lauderdale and had an interview
with Sarah Weston Mather on her application to be admitted
into Membership with Friends. She appears to be fully
convinced of the accordance of the principles of Friends with the

Gospel, and to be endeavouring in humble dependence upon the assistance of the Holy Spirit to practise them, thus seeking to maintain that peace with God which she has been favoured to find through faith in a crucified and glorified Saviour.

We are of the judgment that her application for Membership may be safely granted.

James Backhouse.

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30th of Nov 1834 } George Washington Walker.
30th of Nov 1834 } Francis Cottier.

The Meeting after having ^{slightly} considered the same
is of the judgment that her application ^{should} be acceded to.

Report on
M. J. Bates
Case.

J. James Backhouse informs the Meeting that in company with Anna Maria Cottier, the Committee appointed to visit Mary Gibbs made on her application for Membership paid her a visit thereon.

They are not prepared to make a final report on the subject, her case is therefore continued under their care.

S. The Report of the Committee appointed to visit Robert A. Walker on his application for Membership, has been received as follows:

"To Robert Town Monthly Meeting of Friends.

Equally to our appointment we had an interview with Robert Andrew Walker on his application for Membership, which was satisfactory to us; we have also had his company on several other occasions, and our acquaintance with him has tended to confirm us in the belief that he is fully convinced of the principles of Friends, and under a lively exercise of mind before the Lord is carrying them into practice. We therefore think his request to be admitted a Member of the society may safely be complied with.

Robert Town } James Backhouse
30th of Nov 1834. } Francis Cottier.

Abraham Chat. Power.

This Meeting having given the Report their serious consideration, believes that the recommendation of the Committee may safely be adopted.

Stephen. Tre. 9. Francis Cotton is requested to furnish Stephen Tre, alias John Wilton, a Brown Prisoner in the service of Major Schaw of Rothwell, with a copy of the 13th Minute of the 7th of 8th Month, and to write to him occasionally, reporting from time to time to the Monthly Meeting on this subject.

10. Birth Notes were brought into this Meeting for the following children of Francis and Anna Maria Cotton, of Kelvedon, Great Swinford; viz:

Birth Notes for F. & A. M. Cotton's Children.

For George,	born the 20 th of 8 th Mo. 1829.
Susannah,	— 17 th of 2 nd Mo. 1830.
John,	— 11 th of 1 st Mo. 1831
Frances,	— 17 th of 5 th Mo. 1833
James Backhouse	— 18 th of 7 th Mo. 1834.

The remainder of Francis & Anna Maria Cotton's children, viz:

Henry,	born the 21 st of 1 st Month 1821.
Francis	— 1 st of 3 rd — 1822
Anna Maria,	— 20 th of 12 th — 1823
Thomas,	— 26 th of 11 th — 1825
Mary,	— 23 rd of 12 th — 1827

are registered - the three older with Southwark Monthly Meeting, the two younger with Devonshire House Monthly Meeting, London.

Burial Notes for F. & A. M. Cotton's Children.

11. Burial Notes were also brought in for the following children of Francis and Anna Maria Cotton, viz:

For Susannah, who died the 23 rd of 2 nd Month 1830.
and Frances, who died the 18 th of 5 th Month 1833.

James Backhouse is requested to take charge of the above Register.

Robert Town.

Robert Town Monthly Meeting of Friends,
held at the house of Mr. Holdship, Harton Place,
on the 2nd of 10th Mo. 1834.

Present; Francis Cotton, James Backhouse, Geo. W. Walker,
Thomas Squire, Philipus Pollard, William Holdship,
Abraham Charles Rivers, Henry Cotton, Anna Maria Cotton,
and Isabella Paynes; also Daniel Wheler and Charles
Wheler, and during the latter part of the Meeting, William
Paynes and Robert Andrew Mather.

Minutes read.

1. The Minutes of the Monthly Meeting held at Great
Swanport on the 14th of 9th Month, have been read.

Geo. W. Walker
furnished with
Copies of Minutes.

2. Francis Cotton states that he has furnished George
Washington Walker with Copies of the Minutes No 3 of the
7th of 8th Mo: and No 3 of the 4th of 9th Month.

3. This Meeting fully uniting in judgment with that
Sarah Benson Mather held at Great Swanport, on the application of Sarah Benson
Mather for Membership with Friends, hereby receives her
as a Member of our religious Society.

Geo. W. Walker is appointed to inform her of the decision
of the Meeting.

4. The Friends appointed to visit Mary Gibbs Earle
have brought in the following Report: viz:

To Robert Town Monthly Meeting of Friends.

"Accompanied by Anna Maria Cotton we have
had two interviews with Mary Gibbs Earle on her application
for Membership. We believe her to be in considerable mea-
sure convinced that the Principles of the Society of Friends
are those of the Gospel; but she does not appear to have
attained to a sufficiently ^{punctual} application of them to warrant our
recommending her admission into Membership at present.
We nevertheless consider her as claiming the tender regard
and care of Friends, and have no doubt that if she keep
more

Report on
Mary G. Earle's
case.

more closely under the baptizing power of the Holy Spirit, — she will ever long perceive the things that belong to salvation with more clearness, and be strengthened more fully to sacrifice her own will, and to become conformed to the mind of Christ.

James Backhouse.

Robert Town, 7 Geo. Washington Walker,
1st of 10th Mo. 1834 } Francis Collins.

This Meeting after having solidly considered the same, believes it to be right to continue her case under the care of the Monthly Meeting.

The Clerk is requested to furnish her with a copy of this minute.

5. Robert Andrew Mather is admitted a Member of our religious Society, this Meeting fully concurring in the belief expressed by the Monthly Meeting held at Great Swanport that the recommendation of the Committee appointed to visit him should be adopted.

J. Backhouse is requested to inform him of our decision.

6. Francis Cotton informs the Meeting that he has furnished Stephen True with a copy of the 13th Minute of the 1st of 8th Month.

7. James Backhouse informs the Meeting that he has registered the Birth and Burial Notes of Francis and Anna Maria Collins Children, at the end of the Minutes Book of the Monthly Meeting.

8. Francis Cotton is now appointed Registrar at Great Swanport, and A. C. Flower Assistant Clerk to the Monthly Meeting, and Registrar at Hobart Town.

Records preserved at Great Swanport.

9. A Duplicate Copy of the Minutes of the Monthly Meeting and the Registers is preserved at Great Swanport.

10. This Meeting is informed that Mary Ann Wall has been committed to the Penitentiary for Females on the charge of "grossly indecent conduct," of which she strongly asserts her

Mary Ann Wall charged with delinquency.

her innocence. Daniel Wheler, J. Backhouse and Francis Cotton are appointed to visit her and to examine into the case.

Appointment
reserving a place to
Meet in, & Pragial
Ground.

11. Theophilus Pollard, A. C. Flower and Francis Cotton are appointed to take such steps as are requisite for obtaining a permanent place for the Friends of Hobart Town to hold their Meetings for Worship, the room kindly granted them for that purpose by William Fidell being small; also to ascertain whether a suitable piece of ground as a Burial place for the Society can be procured.

Public
Meeting for Worship 8th Month in the Supreme Court, Hobart Town, at the desire of James Backhouse, in consequence of which the regular afternoon Meeting was omitted.

12. A Meeting for public Worship was held on the 10th. of
Meeting for Worship 8th Month in the Supreme Court, Hobart Town, at the
desire of James Backhouse, in consequence of which the regular
afternoon Meeting was omitted.

13. The following Application for Membership from Mr. Nicholas of Hobart Town has been received; A. C. Flower, F. Cotton, & T. Pollard are appointed to visit him thereon and report.

"To Hobart Town Monthly Meeting of Friends.

W. Nicholas's
application for
Membership.

I was born and brought up in the Society of Friends until I was fifteen years old, at which time my Father died, and at which time I left home and departed from the paths of rectitude, and got sent to this Country, and was compelled to attend the Established Church, though against my inclination; but now, having become free, and having read 'Jekes Principles of Friends', and some other Friends' books, which were sent me by William Angus, I am unfeignedly anxious of being accepted into the Society of Friends at this place, and with the assistance of Divine Providence, I hope, I shall become a good Member, for I know no other religion to which my conscience inclines. I am by trade a Carpenter, and in fair circumstances, and my conduct will bear strict scrutiny.

Hobart Town. 7
18th of 9th Mo. 1834 J

William Nicholas

14. The following Friends are appointed to examine the state

Appointment to
examine Libraria.

of the Libraries and robust thorsons, viz. Mr. W. Walker,
Dr. C. Flower, Mr. C. H. and Rev'd Mr. Mather.

Certificate of
Daniel Wheeler
read.

15. Certificates were brought in and read from the Monthly Meeting of Bally in Yorkshire, and Quarterly Meeting of York held at York, and from the Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders, London, by our dear Friend Daniel Wheeler now present with us and on his way to pay a religious Visit in Gospel love to the Inhabitants of the Islands of the Pacific Ocean, and afterwards to this Colony and that of New South Wales; they are as follows:

To the Inhabitants of Van Diemen's Land, New South Wales, the Society Islands in the Southern Pacific Ocean, and other parts wherever these may come:

Our beloved Friend Daniel Wheeler, a Member of the Religious Society of Friends commonly called Quakers, and a Minister of the Gospel of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, has informed us at our Monthly Meeting of Bally in the County of York, England, that he believes it to be the will of his Divine Master that he should disengage himself from his worldly concerns to pay you a religious Visit in Gospel love, and to labour among you for the promotion of the Redeemer's Kingdom in the hearts of mankind.

We hereby certify you that after solemn deliberation and the free expression of unity and near sympathy with him in this his arduous and important engagement, we leave him at liberty to proceed therein. He being a Minister approved and esteemed amongst us; and whose life and conversation are consistent with the doctrines of the Gospel he is called to preach. Our beloved Friend has produced a written testimonial from his Wife and family expressive of their full concurrence with him in his present engagement; and we are also informed that he has settled his worldly concerns to satisfaction.

We recommend him to the kind attentions and tender care of all among whom his lot may be cast; and we pray that the Lord, who has enabled him to leave all

Certificate of
Daniel Wheeler
read.

Barb's Monthly
Meeting England.

that is near, and dear to him in the world, may sustain and preserve him from day to day, and when his measure of service is filled, restore him in safety and in peace to his friends and friends: May your hearts be opened to receive him and his Message, and may his labours be blessed, and your spiritual good promoted, to the praise and glory of God.

Given forth at our Monthly Meeting of Friends
aforementioned, held at Doncaster on the Twentieth
of Ninth Month, and by a Government at
Sheffield on the 20th of the same in the year 1822.

Signed.

Richard Cockin	David Wallen
Cuthbert Wigham	W ^m Haughton Junr
Samuel South	Diarius Davy
John Archard	James Smith
James Wigham	Henry Smith
Joseph Clark	W ^m Barker Junr
Richard Thompson	William Dent
William Clark	David Marshall
George Foster	David Wallington
George Sanders	W ^r Haughton
William Sabine	W ^m Fairbank
Mord. H. Carson	Tho ^s Yearly
Edw ^t Marshall	Benj ^r Colly
Rogers Broadhead	Daniel Sutton
John Hetham	Josiah Fairbank
Joshua Ingle	John Taylor
Robert Hancock	William Chapman
John Yearly	W ^m Adam Smith
Joseph Francis	William Ewitt
Henry Sanders	William Clark
Timothy Harrison	Richard Mason
Edward Nelson	Moedocai Basson
Jas. Smith Davy	Henry Smith
Tho ^s Bladward	

Sarah Yearly
Sarah Smith
Rebecca Brady

Mary Hopperinstall
Sarah Murray
Mary Ann Davy

Ann Clark	Agnes Geddle
Ellen Cockin	Mary Ann Wilner
Ellen Cockin Jun.	Hannah Bragg
Katherine West	Martha Fowler
Ann Abraham	Hannah Eaton
Hannah Archard	Ann Fairbank
Elizabeth Higham	Jane Doncaster
Mary Scott	Sarah Flint (by name)
Martha Smith (by name)	Phoebe Wallison
Hannah Routh	Sarah Smith
Sarah Routh	Sydia Margarets
Mary Clark	Mary Brady
Ann Clark Jun.	Catharine Naish
Hannah Day	Mary Colly
Mary Brewsterham	Elizabeth Geddle (by name)
Sarah Wallison	Charlotte Fenikston
Ann Smith	Phoebe Wallison Jun.
Rebecca Wilson	Eliza Wallison
Alice Dickenson	Sarah Fairbank
Mary Frances	Sarah A. Wherry
Catharine Alden	Mary Harrison
Phoebe Naish	Rachel Garrison
Mary Enoch	Rachel Ward
Ann Hopper stall	

Joseph Clark (Clark)

To the Inhabitants of Van Diemen's Land, New South Wales,
the Society Islands in the Southern Pacific Ocean and other
parts where these may come:

Our beloved Friend and Brother, Daniel Whaler,
who is apprised amongst us as a Minister of the Gospel,
and whose concern to pay you a religious Visit is detailed
in the within Certificate from the Meeting of the District
to which he immediately belongs, has this day (according
to the order established amongst us) stated with much
feeling his continued prospect of the service therein mentioned,
in this Quarterly Meeting of the Society of Friends, which is

composed of several District, or Monthly Meetings within the County of York.

Certificate of
Daniel Wheeler
from
York Quarterly
Meeting, England.

We have felt much sympathy with our dear Friend in the arduous and extensive prospect which he has before him, and much unity having been felt and expressed on the occasion. We leave him at liberty to proceed in his proposed engagement commanding him to the protection and guidance of his divine Master, and earnestly desiring that through his gospel labours, the Kingdom of our Lord & Saviour Jesus Christ may be advanced in the Earth.

Signed in and on behalf of York Quarterly Meeting of the Society of Friends, held at

York, the 26th of 9th Month, 1832.

Thomas Backhouse,
(Clerk)

From the Meeting of Ministers and Elders of the religious Society of Friends, commonly called Quakers, held in London the 12th of the 11th Month, in the year of our Lord, 1832, and by adjournment on the 14th of the same.

To the Inhabitants of Van Diemen's Land, New Caledonia, and the Islands of the Pacific Ocean, where these may come:

Our dear Friend Daniel Wheeler, who is a Minister of the Gospel of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, well esteemed in our religious Society, has with much Christian feeling informed us that he believes it to be his duty to go forth in simple dependance on the Lord, and dedication of heart to his service, to labour amongst you as he may be strengthened from on high to turn men from darkness to light, and from the power of Satan unto God. He has produced Certificates of unity with his engagement from the Monthly & Quarterly Meetings of which he is a Member.

This Meeting has been introduced into much sympathy with our beloved brother thus surrendering himself to Divine disposal, and for the sake of Christ and of his gospel leaving all that is dear to him in this life.

We feel brotherly unity with him, and set him at liberty for the important and laborious service he has in prospect.

We desire that through the continued exercise of faith in the providence of God, and in the guidance of the Holy Spirit, he may experience the blessing of persecution. May he be enabled effectually to call men to repentance towards God and to faith in our Lord Jesus Christ, testifying of Him through the shedding of whose blood and the efficacy of whose grace we may all obtain redemption, even the forgiveness of sins, and become heirs of eternal life.

We earnestly command this our dear Friend &c the protection and guidance of the great and good Shepherd and Bishop of souls. We offer a salutation of Christian love to all to whom these may come, desiring that our said dear Friend may experience kindness and sympathy round amongst whom he may travel.

With fervent aspirations to the Lord that his labours in the gospel may be blessed amongst you

We are your Friends, Brethren and Sisters.

Signed in order behalf of the Meeting.

1853 (John Foster & Clark)

16. A Certificate was brought in and read from Bally Monthly Meeting (Yorkshire, England), for our Friend Charles Wheeler, accompanying his Father Daniel Wheeler, in his religious engagement; as follows:

Certificate of
Charles Wheeler
from
Bally
Monthly Meeting
England.

To all whom it may concern; or where these may come:

Charles Wheeler, the son of our Friend Daniel Wheeler, who has our Certificate of unity with his proceeding in the service of the Gospel Ministry in the Islands of the Pacific Ocean and other remote parts; being engaged to accompany his Father on the voyage: This is to certify that he is a Member of the religious Society of Friends, commonly called Quakers, and in good esteem therin, as a young man of orderly and consistent conduct.

Signed in our Monthly Meeting of
Bally, held at Thorpe, in the County of
York, England, the 8th day of the 5th Mo. 1853.

Richard Cochran	Daniel Doncaster
Thomas Yearly	Timothy Harrison
John Richard	Jon. Wragg
William Haigrove	John Hawksworth
William Dent	John Taylor
Meribell Casson	John C. Casson
Samuel Peake	Robt. Clark
Mord. H. Casson	John Bullard
Henry Smith	Cha. Milner
Henry Doncaster	Daniel Ward
Edward Hobson	Joseph Francis
Dennis Davy	William Coston
Joseph Clark, (Clark.)	

Hobart Town Monthly Meeting of Friends,
held at Hobarton, Great Swanport 6th of Nov. 1834.

Hobart Town.

Present David Read, Geo: J. Story, Francis Cotton,
Anna Maria Cotton, Anna Pollard, wife of J. M. Cotton's
son.

Minutes read &c.

1. The Minutes of Hobart Town Monthly Meeting
held there the 2nd of 10th Mo. 1834 have been read with
the exception of the copies of the certificates of our friends Danl.
& Chas. Wheeler, which were forwarded from Hobart Town
by telegraph, & have not arrived in sufficient time: they are
appointed to be read at the next Monthly Meeting to be
held at Hobarton.

Sarah B. Mather

2. Francis Cotton informs the Meeting that yr. W. Wheeler
communicated to Sarah Benson Mather information of her
application for Membership being acceded to.

Case of Mr. G. Eade
continued

3. The case of Mary Gibbs Eade is continued. The Clerk
states he furnished her with a copy of the 4th Minute of
the 2nd of 10th Month.

Robt. A. Mather

4. A letter has been received by Francis Cotton conveying the
information that Robt. Andrew Mather was informed by James
Brakehouse of his being received into Membership with Friends.

5. The following Report of the Friends appointed to visit
Mary Ann Wall has been brought in and read.

"To Hobart Town Monthly Meeting of Friends.

"Not being convenient to our Friend Daniel
Whaler to attend to the case of Mary Ann Wall, we proceeded
to investigate into her case, & have since visited her & her son.
She declares her innocence of any directly immoral act, but
admits having relaxed in watchfulness for some time past,
and in having some instances having given way to unbecoming

Report in the
case of
M. A. Wall

"City, & we have been unable to find evidence to satisfy us
"that the charge of "grossly indecent conduct" is unfounded.
"We endeavoured to impress upon her the importance of making
"a full acknowledgment, & of seeking, & undergoing, for the
"pardon of her sins, & also signified to her the probability
"that the Monthly Meeting would consider it necessary to
"issue a testimony of disownment against her."

Robert Town
25/10 M^r 1834

James Blackhouse
Francis Sutton.

This Meeting after serious deliberation is of opinion
Case of M^r A. Wall that her case should be continued under the care of the
continued Friends appointed, & that further information upon it
should be sought after.

6. The Committee appointed to look out for a suitable
Meeting House &c. place for the Friends of Robert Town to hold their Meetings
Committee continued. in, & to procure a piece of ground as a Burialing place is
continued on those appointments.

7. The Report of the Committee appointed to visit W^m Nicholas
on his application for Membership has been received as follows:
"To Robert Town Monthly Meeting of Friends.

Report on "We your Committee appointed to visit W^m Nicholas
W. Nicholas's case "on his application to be received into Membership with Friends
of application for "the Society of Friends, report that we have allegedly paid him
Membership. "a visit thereon; since which one of the Committee had a private
"sitting with him, and the two others have also had an inter-
view with W^m Nicholas. We have much satisfaction in
stating that we were made sensible of a good feeling prevailing
"with us at each interview, & we believe W^m Nicholas to be
"earnestly endeavouring to walk in the Truth as it is in Jesus,
" & to be seeking after the further unfoldings of it in his own
"mind, & sincerely desirous to fill up his measure therein.

"After deliberate consideration we recommend that his Appli-
cation for Membership be acceded to, believing that thereby he
"will be encouraged in his way heaven-ward & confirmed therein."

Robert Town
25/10 M^r 1834

Abraham Cha^s. Flower
Theophilus Collard
Francis Sutton.

This Meeting after mature deliberation believes it right to adopt the recommendation of the Committee.

5. The subjoined Report from three of the Friends appointed to examine the state of Friends' Libraries, has been brought in; and the Friends in charge of the Library at Hobart Town are requested to examine after those Books which appear to have been unduly detained by the parties borrowing them: They are Nos. 28, 29, 41, 48, 51, 53, 72, 783.

" To Hobart Town Monthly Meeting of Friends.

" We have examined the Library, in conformity with the request of the Monthly Meeting; I find the Books generally in good order. The works presented to Friends by James Backhouse & G. W. Walker on behalf of the Meeting for Sufferings in London, & others of the Society in England, are as follows:

No 1 Early Petty	No 18 Scripture History
2 History of John Wise	19 Visits to a Cottage
3 Eliza Cunningham	20 Little Basket Makers.
4 The Sabbath day.	21 January's Token for child.
5 The Child's Remembrance	22 Little Dick
6 Good Boys	23 Bush Bell Family Blake.
7 Watchmaker & Family.	24 Cottage Scenes
8 Village School	25 Little American Girl.
9 Twenty one Letters	26 Spring Lemon in Chidlow
10 History Susan Gray	27 Bill Davies
11 History of Joseph	28 Grandfather Gregory
12 Dairymans Daughter.	29 Sarah Lee & Susan Gray
17 Life of Apricander	

" The above comprise the Juvenile Library published by the Religious Tract Society in London. Twenty seven of the Volumes have been out on loan since the first institution of Friends' Library in Hobart Town, in 4th Mar. 1833.)

No 20 Sketch of the Retreat

41 Davies Digest of Legislative Enactments	445 Gen. Soc. Journal Vol. 1
	46 do do Vol. 2
42 Yearly Meetg. Minutes	47 Clarkson's Portraiture Vol. 1
43 Life of Mary Dudley	48 do do Vol. 2
44 Life of J. Woolman	49 do do Vol. 3

50. Bated Duties of Friends. 58. Words of Friends
 51. Penn's No Cross no Crown
 52. Yearly Meetings of Friends
 53. Memoirs of J. Huntington
 54. Newgate, Sharon & Usher
 55. Leadbeater's Big! Notices
 56. Pennington's Letters
 57. Maria's Scripture Lessons
 58. Chalkley's Journal
 59. Selections from Foxe's Book
 60. Edmundson's Journal
 61. Memoirs of J. Crisp
 62. Murray's Power of Religion
 63. Friends' Tracts Vol. 1
 64. Dr. D. Vol. 2
 65. Dr. D. Vol. 3
 66. Party Promoted Vol. 1
 67. Dr. D. Vol. 2
 68. Dr. D. Vol. 3
 69. Foxe's Book
 70. D. Hall & J. Banks
 71. Groves, Master, & Jordan
 72. Memoirs of Friends
 73. Barclays Catechism
 74. Christian Advice
 75. Hancock on Peace
 76. Groves' Letters
 77. Scott's Diary
 78. Shawson's Faith
 79. Tuke's Principles of Friends
 80. Journey on the Sabbath
 81. Tuke's Duties of Religion &c
 82. Toller on Declension
 83. Bartons' Saint's Rest
 84. Blacklees' Selections
 85. Life of P. D. Davies
 86. Grattan's Journal
 87. Morav. Missions in Greenland
 88. Wilds' Infant System

89. Words of Friends
 90. Synopsis of P. & J. School System
 91. Report of P. & J. School Society
 92. XXIIIrd Report of Richy. Tract Socy.
 93. Life of J. Richardson
 94. Thorpe's Letters
 95. Party Promoted
 96. Barclays' Theology
 97. Journey's Recollections of 73
 98. Account of Chas. Denison
 99. Self Delusion Discovered
 100. Memoir of Rev. Rego
 101. Memory's Records 1811
 102. Dr. Dr. III
 103. Advice to Parents
 104. Walkina Roy
 105. Life of Rev. Edward
 106. Jewells History of Friends
 107. Dr. Dr. Dr. 1811. 2
 108. Ratty's Dr. Dr.
 109. Life of Churchman
 110. Jatham on the Spirit
 111. Journey's Epistles on Christ
 112. Crisp's Sermons Vol. 1
 113. Dr. Dr. 2
 114. Miscellaneous Dr. 3
 115. Memoirs of Whitehead Vol. 1
 116. Dr. Dr. 1812
 117. Brown's Letters
 118. Shawson's Meditations
 119. Tuford's Grounds of Holy Life
 120. Bonis Rice & Prog. Dr.
 121. P. Journey's Psalms
 122. Journey's Biblical Notes
 123. Scripture Lessons
 124. Dr. Dr. (another Dr.)
 125. Life of C. Story
 126. P. Phillips' Recollection
 127. Dr. on Watchfulness & Silence

N. 128 Tuke's Principles of Friends. N. 130 Peace Society's Tracts.

129 D^r D^r Jonathan May

" Since the Library was established in 1st Month 1833,
" One hundred & fifty three Volumes have been out for perusal,
" exclusive of the twenty seven volumes, before alluded to, from
" the Juvenile Series.

" The following Books need to be enquired after, having
" been in the possession of the borrowers for a considerable length
" of time; viz. Nos 28, 39, 41, 48, 51, 53, 72 & 83.

" A number of Friends Writings in the possession of
" Theophilus Villard have been circulated from time to time, on
" loan, which being exclusive of the Library, & private property,
" do not appear amongst the foregoing."

Committee's Report on the State of Friends' Libraries. " Some Months ago a selection of Friends' Books was
" deposited with Isaac Hervin of Lawrence, by J. Brockhouse
" & G. W. Walker, on behalf of the Meeting for Sufferings in
" London Sc. in the purpose of constituting a Library, the
" discretionary application of these to be vested in Tiber Town
" Monthly Meeting of Friends. The same individuals have
" on the present occasion made a further donation of the following,
" which are forwarded to the care of Abraham Davy, to whom
" the Books in the possession of Isaac Hervin are to be transferred,
" to whom we recommend to the appointment of Librarian on behalf
" of the Monthly Meeting."

Tuke's Journal 2 vols.

Tuke's Big! Notices 2 vols.

Henson's Christian Faith

Christian Advice

Bevan's Letters

Gurney's Hymns

Fulke's Religious Declination

Coates's Saint's Rest

Tuke's Principles

Peace Society's Tracts 1 vols.

" A statement of those in possession of Isaac Hervin has
" been received from Abraham Davy, & is as follows:

Life of Mary Dablos

Clarkson's Unitarian 3 vols.

J. Yearly Meeting Epistles.

Tuke's Sketch of the Retreat

Phillipson's Regeneration

D^r on Watchfulness & Silence

Life of C. Story

Beecher's Sermons on Intemperance

Brown's Fruits of a Father's love.

Marshalls way of life revealed &c.

Truth in the Holy Spirit

Beaumont on Ardent Spirits.

Synopsis of B. & T. School System

Bardlays Apology

Woolman's Journal

Bolles Doctrines of Friends.

Gurney's Essays on Christianity	Take's Principles
Chalkley's Journal	Barclay's Call to him
Early Promoted parts 3 & 4.	Takes Duties of Religion &c
Life of Churchman	Gurney on the Sabbath
Stewell's Memoirs	Surplice grounds of a Holy Life
Grove's Letters	Father on religious Division
Jordan's Journal	Penn's Rule of Progress
Gurney's Ecclesiastical	24 Vol. Cash Works, &c
Shoep's Letters	Miscellaneous subjects, designed
Pennington's Letters	to encourage a taste for reading.

"Information has been received through the medium of Abraham Davy that many of the Books belonging to Friends in possession of Isaac Heron have been circulated by gratuitous loans, & read; and that considerable inclination has been shown by many to read Friends' Writings where facilities were placed in the way of obtaining them."

Committee's
Report on the State
of Friends' Libraries

"A small collection of Friends' Books has been given to Hobart Town by James Backhouse & George Washington Walker for the use of the Wesleyans, & those frequenting their Library in Launceston."

"We are informed by our friends J. Backhouse & George Washington Walker that a collection of Friends' Books has been placed in the hands of Thomas Walton for the gratuitous use of such persons as incline to read them; and subject to the discretionary superintendence of Hobart Town Monthly Meeting, in which the right of property is vested. We would suggest the propriety of Thomas Walton being confirmed in the office of Librarian by a Minute of the Monthly Meeting."

Josephine Pollard

Abraham Chat. Storer

George Washington Walker.

Our friends J. Backhouse & George Washington Walker having put into the hands of Thomas Walton of New Norfolk, a number of Friends' Books, for distribution on loan in that district (See preceding minute) the property of which Books is vested in the Monthly Meeting of Friends of Hobart Town, this Meeting hereby appoints Thos. Walton Librarian at New Norfolk; & approving of the recommendation of the Committee, appoints Mr. Davy Libra-

Librarian at Launceston.

The Clerk is requested to obtain a list of the Books
in charge of Thomas Waller.

Francis Collier.

Clerk!

Hobart Town Monthly Meeting of Friends, held
at the House of W^m. Holdship, Victoria Road, on the 4th
of 12th Month 1834

Present: Daniel Wheler, James Backhouse, Geo. W.

Members present — Walker, Chas. Wheler, Chas. Pollard, A. C. Flower, William Holdship, Francis Colton, Isabella Rayner, Sarah B. Mather, Ann Pollard, F. Colton jun^r.

Minutes read — 1. The Minutes of the Monthly Meeting held on the 6th of 11th Month have been read.

Mary G. Trade — 2. The case of Mary Gibbs Ende is continued.

3. Further enquiry has been made into the case of Mary Ann Wall but without obtaining any more light upon it; her case is continued under care. F. A. C. Flower is added to the Committee appointed to visit her. The Committee are desired to prepare a Testimony of Disownment for the approbation of a future Meeting, in case they find nothing to render such a step unnecessary. Also to inform Mary Ann Wall of the decision of this Meeting.

Minutes continued — 4. The 6th Minute is continued.

5. The case of W^m. Nicholas has been again under consideration, & it is concluded to confirm the judgment of the last Monthly Meeting; & F. Colton is requested to inform him of the decision of the Meeting.

Friends Library — 6. The Committee in charge of the Library at Hobart Town are requested to attend to the Books wanting as specified in the 8th Minute of last Month.

Librarians appointed — 7. F. Colton is requested to inform Ab^r. Davy & Thomas Stalton that they are appointed by this Meeting to the office of Librarians. A list of the Books in charge of their

Walters

Walter has been submitted to this Meeting. This follows.

1 Selections from Sosis Epistles	18 Tatham on the Spirit
2 Christian Adverses	19 Memoir of G. Backhouse
3 Aurora's Christian's Faith.	20 Journey on the Sabbath
4 Bowes Letters.	21 Blackley's Selections
5 Tukes Biog. Notices Vol. 1.	22 Norman's Journal.
6 Do. Do. Do. Vol. 2.	23 Clarksons Portraiture } 7 Groves Letters } of Ticknor Vol. 1.
8 Pennington's Letters	24 Do. Do. Do. Vol. 2.
9 Scotts Diary	25 Do. Do. Do. Vol. 3.
10 Barclays Testimony	26 Life of M. Dudley
11 Thorps Letters	27 Yearly Meeting Epistles.
12 Journeys Peculiarities	28 Bates' Doctrines of Chr.
13 Tukes Principles	29 Infants grounds of Holyle.
14 Howgills Memoirs	30 Bartons Saint Rest
15 Friends' Tracts Vol. 1.	31 Fuller on religious Doctrines.
16 Do. Do. 2.	32 Summary of Friends' Doctrines.
17 Life of S. Story	

Hobart Town Monthly Meeting of Friends held
at Hobart Town Swan Point on the 1st of February 1855

Present. David Head, George Foddyce Story, Francis
& Maria Cotton, and four of their children,
viz Henry, Francis, Anna, Maria & Thomas.

Members present

Notice of
Minutes 1st The Minutes of the Hobart Town Monthly
Meeting held here on the 1st of 12th month
have been read

Mary Gibbs Case 2nd The case of Mary Gibbs Case is continued.

Mary Ann Hall 3rd The Clerk informs the Meeting that the decision
of the Monthly Meeting respecting Mary Ann
Hall was communicated to her. Her case
is continued

Meeting House &c 4th The Committee appointed to look out for a
Committee continued. Meeting House, Burial Ground &c is continued

William Scholliers 5th Francis Cotton reports that he informed William
received into 5th Members of the decision of the Monthly Meeting
Membership to receive him into membership

6th The sixth Minute is continued

Abram Dary & Thomas Walton 7th Francis Cotton states that he wrote to Abram
Thomas Walton Dary and Thomas Walton informing them of their
Librarianship to the office of Librarian

Books presented 8th The following books have been presented
to the Library to Friends Library in Hobart Town by our
friends James Clarkson & George H. Miller.

131 Gurney's Observations 133 Wilbers Letters
132 The Pilgrim's Progress 134 Extract from Recollections
on the Suffrage

Intention of 9th The following intention of marriage between
Marriage William Nickollas and Isabella Payner was
between laid before this Meeting by letter with a certificate
William Nickollas cert of approbation to shole a step by William and
Isabella Payner Susanna Payner, the parents of William
Nickollas being deceased; the signatures of
all the parties are properly attested.

To Hobart Town Monthly Meeting of Friends
"I hereby inform you that it is my intention
to take my friend Isabella Payner to be my
wife if the Lord permit"

Hobart Town } William Nickollas
6th of 12th month 1836

10th My Friends who resided at Swansea are
both deceased.

To Hobart Town Monthly Meeting of Friends
"I hereby inform you that it is my intention
to take my friend William Nickollas to be
my husband if the Lord permit"

Hobart Town } Isabella Payner
6th of 12th month 1836

Witnesses to the signatures of Abraham & Eliza
William Nickollas & Isabella Payner Eliza & Eliza

To Hobart Town Monthly Meeting of Friends
We hereby certify that it is with our consent
that our daughter Isabella Payner lays before
you her intention of marriage with her friend
William Nickollas

Hobart Town } William Payner
6th of 12th month 1836 Susannah ^W Payner

Witnesses to the signature of Eliza & Eliza
William Payner & Susannah Payner & Eliza & Eliza

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This Meeting appoints Theophilus Pollard
and Thomas Squire to enquire into their
learns from all other marriage engagements
and to give notice of their intentions at the
close of the meeting for worship on the 18th day
the 11th of 1st month and report to an adjourn-
ment of this Meeting.

adjournment of Meeting — 10th This Meeting adjourns to the 29th instant
at the close of the meeting for worship
Francis Cotton
(Clerk)

Hobart Town adjourned Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Rosedale Great Swan Port 29th of 1st month 1835

11th Not pursuant to adjournment

12th The following report, from the Friends appointed to give public notice of the intention of marriage of William Nicholas and Isabella Rayner as well as to enquire into their clearings from all other marriage engagements, has been brought in, as follows

Hobart Town Monthly Meeting of Friends

Dear Friends

Your appointment of ourselves to enquire into the clearings of William Nicholas and Isabella Rayner from other marriage engagements has been attended to; such enquiry having been made as satisfies us that no impediment presents itself on the ground of your appointment to prevent them from fulfilling their intention of taking each other in marriage

Hobart Town
14th Month 1835

We remain with Love

Your Friends

W. Spurin

Theophilus Pollard

A Notice was given at the close of the Meeting for Worship on First day the 11th instant of the above intention of marriage by Theophilus Pollard

It is therefore agreed to the marriage of William Nicholas with Isabella Rayner, this meeting leaves it to friends of Hobart Town if they desire to convey such information to the Parties and to attend to the solemnization of the marriage

James Cotton
Secretary

Hobart-Town Monthly Meeting of Friends
held at Hobart Town on the 5th of 2^d month at the house
of William Baynes Barrack Street

Members present

Present, William Baynes, Abraham B. & Flower,
Robert Weston Flower, Sarah Brown Miller, Isabella
Baynes, Mrs. Spurr, William Tickellias

Notice of
Minutes

1st The minutes of the Monthly meeting held at
Felicetown Great South Rd, Hobart as those of the
assemblies of that meeting to the 29th of last
month have been read

2nd The case of Mary Gibbs East is continued

Abraham B. Flower. Abraham B. Flower who was on the appointment
presented visiting - went to visit Mary Ann Wall informs the
Mary Ann Wall. Meeting that he has recently been forbidden
to visit her by the Superintendent of
Convicts, but that no reason was assigned
for such refusal

Meeting House &c. 3rd The Committee appointed to look out for
Committee continued a meeting house, burial ground &c is continued

Minute continued 4th The 6th minute of 12^d month last is continued

5th This meeting having reconsidered the 12th
minute of last month, respecting the intention
William Tickellias of marriage between William Tickellias and
and Isabella Baynes Isabella Baynes, informs these parties that it is
informed that they with the concurrence of this meeting, that they
are at liberty to proceed to solemnize their marriage; and this
meeting appoints William Baynes to see that the
said marriage is conducted with propriety and
order

Report to a future meeting

7th A proposition having been made to this meeting
that to-morrow the 8 instant would be more con-

venient than 5th day next for the aforementioned
-signed parties to solemnize their marriage;
This meeting, upon consideration, agrees to
hold a meeting for worship, at the house of Mr.
James Hayes, Barrack Street, to-morrow 5th ult.
O'clock in the forenoon, and that Abraham Black
Flower, William Hayes, Robert Andrew Broder, Joseph
Benson Smith, and Thomas Squire are appointed
to give notice of the above mentioned meeting.

8th This meeting adjourns to 5th day next the 12th
instant at the close of the meeting for worship.

Tho Squire
(Clock Wrist)

At about ten o'clock in the morning, Mr. Steele, the Meeting of Friends held at the house of Mr. Bishop, Bayonne, Barrack Street 12th August 1835

9th August pursued and to adjournment with the exception of William Hoblith

agreement
William Hoblith is in the Newgate Bars, at whose house our meetings have been for some time held, having on the 20th of this last informed Mr. Bayne that our meetings should be held at his house one tongue. On the 6th day following the usual company assembled for the purpose of worship, but they found that Mr. Hoblith had closed his door of his house, and was from home; after waiting about half an hour, Mr. Bayne came and informed them of Mr. Hoblith's resolution to discontinue the holding of meetings at his house. They immediately left in consequence, and went to the house of Mr. Evans in Bell Lane St, where a meeting for worship was held that morning after which it was resolved to call a meeting to be held on the following day at the house of Mr. Evans in Bell Lane St to take into consideration where we should in future hold our meetings, and Dr. Flower was requested to inform Mr. Hoblith of the said meeting, who on receiving such information stated that it was not his intention to meet any more with Friends here, and also stated that he had been much inconvenienced by the meetings being held at his house.

On the following day the meeting assembled, when Mr. Bayne offered to give Friends the use of a room in his house to meet in for the present if convenient till a permanent meeting house could be

be obtained, which was accepted, and is where
our meetings have since been held.

12th Mother ap- 11th Robert Andrew Mather is appointed to ac-
-permitted to remove -cnowledge the Library from the house of Rth Holdship
the Library and to take it under his own care, and he is also
added to the Committee in Charge of the Library.

Rth Flower appoin- 12th Abraham Eliot Flower is appointed to remove
-ted to remove the forms from the house of Rth Holdship, and to
the seats place them under the care of Wth Sayee, Brewster.

Appointment to 13th A C Flower and R. Mather are appointed to task,
visit Rth Holdship to ascertain more fully the cause of his past con-
duct, and report.

Appointment to 14th This meeting, having been informed that
visit P. Ward Strophilius Pollard was buried on the 19th day of
March last in a manner contrary to the rules
of our Society, appoints A C Flower and R. Mather
to visit him and report.

Hobart Town Monthly Meeting of Friends held
at Robertson Great Room Hobart the 5th day of 5th
month 1835

Present — David Head, George Estey, Francis Cotton
— Members present — Anna Maria Cotton, Henry Cotton, and five of
Fox & the Cotton's children.

1st The minutes of the monthly meeting held
— Minutes read — At Hobart Town in the 2nd month have been read

Opposed with 2nd The following Friends are appointed to visit
and McCade — Marsh Gibbs Estey again, on his application
for membership; Fox David Head, Francis
Cotton, and Anna Maria Cotton.

— Mr. D. Hall — 3rd The Case of Mary Anne Hall is continued
Committee to look 4th The Committee appointed to look out for a Meeting
out for Meetinghouse House, Burial Ground &c is continued with the
Be continued exception of Theophilus Parsons.

— Private interest — 5th The documents of 12th month last relating to the
Library is continued

— William Hicklin — 6th The report respecting the marriage of William
Hicklin with Isabella Auger is discontinued

concerning the 7th The subject of the removal of Friends Library
amount of Library from the house of William Hobart to the
House of Robert Hobart brother is continued.

concerning the 8th The subject of the removal of the rents from the
annual of Friends late meeting place in the New Town Place to
William Rayner's Barrack is continued.

- Wm Holdship — 9th The case of William Holdship is continued
- Theophilus Pollard — 10th The case of Theophilus Pollard is continued

Removal of Ann 11th Information was given to this meeting of
the removal of Ann Pollard from the house
of Francis Cotton Great Swan Post, to her
father's residence on the New Town Road.

Quies and Advises 12th Pursuant to the recommendation of the
Read yearly meeting contained in its 9th minute
the Quies and General advises have been
read at this time.

Francis Cotton
Secretary

Stobart Town Monthly Meeting of Friends held at
the house of Wm. Hague Barstwick 11 the 2^d of 6th month
1835

Present Abigail Howley, Francis Cotton, Wm. Hayes,
Robert Douthwaite, His Squire Mr. Nicholls
Sarah Benson Walker Isabella Nicholls

Minutes read — 1st The Minutes of the Monthly meeting held
at Finedon in the 5th month have been read

1st Francis Cotton informs the meeting that the
M. G. Eades Case — Friends appointed to visit Mary Gibbs Eades,
have had an interview with her, but are not pre-
pared to make a final report. Her case is continuing

3rd The Friends on the appointment to visit
W. A. Hall have brought in a testimony of dis-
ownment which this meeting approves, and dis-
sents them to hand her a copy of the same
It is as follows

Mary Ann Hall, a member of this Meeting, having
deviated from the paths of true & upright, &
by that means brought a rebuke on our Society, was
thereupon visited by appointment of this Meeting,
and laboured with in Christian love, truly en-
couraging to bring her to a true sense of the enormity
of the conduct in the which she had charged, and the
necessity of true reparation was pointed out to her with
living desire that she might be brought to a right view
of her condition before the Lord.

She denied the charges brought against her, but
admitted that she had not walked in that orderly
and consistent manner which must ever adorn
and characterize the true Christian; and after much
time having been spent in her case, and a diligent
enquiry been instituted, this meeting has not been

able to satisfy itself of her innocence; it therefore disowns her as a member of the religious Society of Friends nevertheless hoping that the time will arrive when the said Mary Ann Hale, may through divine mercy be brought to such a state of mind as may render her fit to be received with us in membership

- Burial Ground - 4th The Committee appointed to look out for Meeting-house Burial Ground &c is continued

- Library - 5th The 6th minute of 12th month last relating to the Library is continued

Report of the
Marriage of
W^m Nichollias and
Isabella Paymer

6th William Paymer reports that the marriage of William Nichollias with Isabella Paymer took place on 6th day the 6th of 2^d month 1835 a meeting for worship being held specially for that purpose, and that the marriage was conducted in an orderly & consistent manner. He also produced two registers of the marriage which our Registrars are requested to preserve and record at the end of this minute Book and of which the following is a copy

Registrar. Note

Certificate of Marriage - On this sixth day of the second month, One Thousand Eight Hundred and Thirty five, William Nichollias of Hobart Town, Van Diemans Land, Carpenter son of William Nichollias, Swansea in Wales, and Elizabeth his wife, (both deceased) and Isabella Paymer, daughter of William Paymer of Hobart Town, yeoman, and Susannah his wife, took each other in marriage, in a public assembly of the people called Quakers in Hobart Town, in the presence of us, who as witnesses thereof, and of the signatures of the said parties between us have also subscribed our names, the day & year above written.

William Nichollias
Isabella Paymer

Strahorn

Abraham Charles Flower
Robert Town German
Sarah Benson Mother
Robert Payne Hobart
Town, Miner
Sarah Crouse Hobart
Town

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- Library -

7th The subject of the removal of the Library is considered.

Report of the removal of books

8th A. C. Flower states that the meeting house and above
book is moved to the house of William Payne, Broad
Street.

Report respecting

William Holdship report of the Friends appointed to visit William Holdship
report They have paid him a visit which was very
un satisfactory, they are requested to see him again
and report.

10th A. C. Flower reports that he & Hobart paid the
Report respecting Charles Pollard a visit according to appointment.
Report respecting Charles Pollard There appears no doubt of his having married in a
manner contrary to the rules of our Society, and there
being also reason to believe his first wife is still living
in England. This meeting feels itself bound to testify
against such conduct. The Friends before appointed
are requested to prepare the draft of a Testimony of Dis-
cernment against him & present same next Monthly meeting.

11th The following application for membership from H. Payne
Riddle has been received

Application for
membership from
H. H. Riddle

To the Monthly meeting of the Society of Friends

2nd day of 5th month 1835

Dear Friends

I beg leave to apply for admission as a
member into your Society; having for a considerable
time attended your meeting for worship, I am convinced
of the doctrines & principles of Friends. I trust not

only

only literally but spiritually

"*W. H. Pittie*"

Opportunity to
Visit S. H. Pittie -

A. C. Flower W. Lawrence and R. S. Quincy are appointed
to pay him a visit and report.

Queries & General AdVICE have been read

Robert Towne. Monthly Meeting of Friends held at
Selvedon Great Swan Post by adjournment on the 21st
of 5th month 1835

Members present

Present George Boddye Story Francis Annadaria
Cotton & four of their children.

Minutes read -

1st The minutes of the last monthly meeting have
been read

Mr. G. Eade -

2^d The Case of Mary Gibbs Eade is continued.

Mr. a. Wall -

3^d The report of the Friends appointed to hand over
Testimony of Disownment to Mary Ann Wall is con-
tinued.

Mating House -

4th The 4th minute of last month relating to Mating
House &c. is continued.

5th Robert A. Mather informs the meeting through
the Clerk that he has obtained three of the absent
Books. No 44, 48, 53.

Respecting the -

He will make further enquiry for the others, and
hopes shortly to receive the whole.

Library at New Town -

He has also memoirs of James Gough, which, not
being entered, is numbered 137 and placed with the
other Books.

Removal of Library
to R. A. Mather -

6th The following report respecting the library has
been received from Robt Mather.

"Agreeably to the appointment of the Monthly mee-
ting in the 2^d moth last I have removed the library
from the house of W^m Holdship in the New Town Post-
to my residence, No 46 Liverpool St with the excep-
tion of twenty six volumes out on loan."

7th The case of William Holdship is continued.

8th The following draft of a Testimony of Disownment against Theophilus Pollard has been brought in, which this meeting approves and directs the Friends on the appointment in his case to hand him a copy of it.

Theophilus Pollard, a member of this meeting having been married by a Priest contrary to the Rules of our Society, was therefore visited by an appointment of this meeting; and there being also reason to suppose his former wife is still living in England, as he the said Theophilus Pollard, declined entering into any explanation on that subject with the Friends appointed to visit him.

This meeting, in the absence of such information and explanation, has itself called upon to testify strongly against his conduct as being in direct violation of the Recepts of Christ, where by also great reproach has been brought upon the Society, and hereby disowns the said Theophilus Pollard as a member of the Religious Society of Friends; at the same time, this Meeting hereby expresses its earnest desire, that he (J.P.) may be brought to a true sense of the awful situation in which he stands, and through Divine goodness by an unfeigned repentance yet come to witness reconciliation with the Father through Jesus Christ his beloved Son.

Application continued

9th The application for membership from Henry Warford Ridder is continued no report having been received.

Report of Ann Pollard's removal

10th Report has been made to this Meeting that Ann Pollard with the consent of her father, has returned to the residence of Francis & Anna Maria Cotton, Melved, Great Swan Point.

Francis Cotton
Clock.

Hobart Town Monthly Meeting, held at the
house of Willm Payne Barrack Stue 14th of August 1808

Present Francis Cotton W^m Payne Ab^m C
Members present - Flower Robt & Mather & Sarah 13 Mather.

Minutes read - 1st The minutes of the last Monthly Meeting
held at Hobart Town have been
read.

Minutes read - 2^d The case of M^g Bade is continued.

Minutes read - 3^d The testimony of Disownment against Mary
Conway, A. Mather - Ann Hall, not having been handed to her
the friends on the appointment are con-
tinued to report on this subject.

Minutes read - 4th The minute relating to Meeting House Re-
is continued.

Minutes read - 5th The Friends who are directed to hand over
testimony of Disownment against Theophilus
Pollard to that individual are continued to
report thereon.

Minutes read - 6th The Friends A. C. Flower and W^m Payne have
reported to this Meeting, that they in conjunction
with Thos Squire paid Henry Hayford Riddler
a visit according to their appointment which
visit was highly satisfactory. They are directed
to transmit a written report on the subject to
the next Monthly meeting.

— Special meeting — A special meeting for business was held on the 12th
of 6th month 1833 at the house of Robert Mother Liverpool
— held at Robert Mother's — to take into consideration the propriety of move-
-wing the holding our meetings from 10th May over, then
— make 8th to a more convenient place.

1st A communication was made to the meeting that
— office of Room in — Dr. Bruce has offered his School-room in Murray
— Murray St^t — St^t for the use of Friends at the yearly rent of eight
— to hold meetings in — pounds, and being a very eligible situation, it is a-
— greed to accept his offer for a term of not less than
— twelve months, and Dr. Bruce is appointed
— to remove the rents to morrow the 18th inst.

2^d It is also agreed to alter the time of holding the
— alteration of the time
— of holding meetings — weekly meeting to fourth day at one, instead of fifth
— in the week — day at eleven O'clock, on account of the School room
— being occupied on fifth day but at liberty after
— twelve O'clock on fourth day; also to meet on the
— afternoons of First day at Home instead of four O'clock
— being a more convenient hour; the alterations
— to take place from this date.

— Notice to be given of
— alterations of the
— time of meeting — Dr. Bruce is appointed to give notice, next first
day at the close of the meeting, that the
— above mentioned alterations in the time of holding
our meetings will take place; Mr. & Mrs. Robert
Mother and Mr. Payne are appointed to inform those
who usually attend our meetings of the removal to
Murray Street.

Robert Town Monthly Meeting to be at Rosewood
Great Swiss Lot the 2^d of 7th month 1835

Present David Head George Coffey Francis and Anna
Humboldt Maria Cotton Henry Cotton Ann Ward and one of
Sandie Cotton's children

Minutes read — 1st The minutes of the last monthly meeting held in
Robert Town on the 6th of 6th mo as well as those of a special
meeting for business held there on the 12th not have been
read.

Minutes read — 2nd The following report from the Friends appointed
to visit Mary Gibbs Esq has been received:

"To Robert Town Monthly Meeting of Friends"

"Do you concur in the appointment to visit

Report concerning Mary Gibbs Esq on his application for membership
Report that we have paid her two visits there at intervals
of four months and can safely recommend her as
being in a fit state of mind to be received into member-
ship with your religious community"

Remain, with love, your Friends

{ Rosewood
2^d of 7th mo 1835

"David Head

"Francis Cotton

"Anna Ward Cotton

This meeting after serious consideration accedes to the
recommendation of the committee

Report continued 3rd The report having been received of the Committee on
Sisterhood of Disownment to Mary Gibbs Esq the minute
in her case is contained.

Meeting House — 4th The minute relating to meeting house &c is contained
being the 1st minute of the 1st of 6th month.

W^m Holtey — 5th the case of W^m Holtey is contained.

Statement of dissentient. 6th By letter information had been received by the
handed to J. Pollard — Clerk. That the testimony of dissensionist against Revd
Pollard was handed to Fisher without any remarks.

7th The Friends appointed to visit Henry Garfield Fisher
on his application for membership have transmitted
their report as follows:

To Hobart Town Monthly meeting of Friends

Your appointment of ourselves to visit Henry Garfield
Fisher in consequence of his application to be

Report of the Committee — Submitted a member of your religious Society has
been admitted to be a member of.

visit H. F. Fisher, and in the interview with him a preference appeared to
judgment thereon — to give to those principles which are professed by
the Society of Friends, and to that characteristic
worshipping in silence which it as a religious com-
munity is distinguished.

The length of time that has elapsed since he com-
menced attending our meetings, together with his constan-
cy of attendance, united as we believe with exemplary con-
duct, are the grounds of our recommending him
to your notice, by which we are precluded from
believing that the acknowledgement of him as a
member would be a hasty admission.

We therefore recommend Henry Garfield Fisher to your
friendly regard, and trust the meeting will be found
in the way of its duty in according to our request, that
he may be admitted a member of your religious Society.

{ Hobart Town
6th of 6th mth 1855

William Paynes
Abraham C. Flower
"Hot Squire"

This meeting after serious consideration of the same
of the judgment that the recommendation of the
committee should be adopted.

8th Report has been made that the Freeing-house debts
were removed by Robt D. Mathie agreeable to his appoint-
ment from W. Paynes to the Schoolmaster of E. Grace Street

— County of East —
West Indies —

9th Information was given of the removal of our meeting to Murray St by the friends appointed to that service, as well as of the alteration in the time of the holding our meetings on first day afternoons and weekdays at Hobart Town.

10th It is agreed to preserve on record the copy of a letter received from our friends James Buckhouse and George W. Webster, and which is as follows:

To Friends in Hobart Town, and such others as habitually attend their meetings.

Dear Friends

Our hearts have been made sad by the information we have received respecting the departure of one, who was of your little company from the parts of Verulam, and the offence which his misconduct has occasioned. And, while we mourn over him as one who has fallen into the snare of the Devil, to his eternal punishment, unless he repent, and turn from his iniquity and obtain pardon from the Lord, we cannot but feel an anxious solicitude for the rest of the little flock in Our Dear Lord's land; who, being turned to the teaching of the Holy Spirit as manifested in man, have been brought to sit down together in silence to wait upon the Lord in their public worship; may all these watch and pray that they enter not into temptation. If we neglect to keep our minds open to the convictions of the Holy Spirit we shall not perceive our spiritual wants, and how then can we ask to have them supplied? The instrument of prayer may indeed be uttered in words, or presented in the language of thought but it will not ascend with acceptance before the throne of God: it will form no part of that worship which is in spirit and in truth, and which alone is acceptable to God. Be careful then, dear Friends, that you do indeed watch over your own hearts before the Lord; and as you feel your own infirmities

Let us pray unto the Father, in the name of his beloved
Son for the supply of your need; for pardon or help, or
strength, or preservation as you feel you require these
blessings. Now is it ^{the privilege} of being permitted to ask of
God in the name of Christ, when, because of past trans-
gressions we are, necessarily, unwilling to receive anything
that we might ask in our own names, or for our own sakes;
and seems that the Lord Jesus so loved us that he gave
himself for us, how ought we also to cherish love to God
and one to another.

Christ himself has declared that it is impossible but
that offences will come, therefore let us not be discon-
sidered by them, nor act as the world who refuse to come unto
him or to walk with him because of these offences; for
woe is still unto the world because of offences; and
Christ found Backhouse woe is also unto him by whom the offence cometh
continued —

Be not shamed from steadfastly following the Lord by
what has hapened, we intell you, let it then be turned
up to more diligent study, that so you may be assisted
by a holy, chaste conversation and conduct to exhibit
proof to those around you that the fall of such as go
astray is not the fault of the Foundation on which you
have builded, but their own fault in departing from
the Foundation. Remember for your encouragement
that Truth is Truth though all men should forsake it;
and that the foundation of God standeth sure having
this seal, "The Lord knoweth them that are his."

And, dear Friends, have compassion on them
who through unwatchfulness and human infiency
may be overtaken with a fault and seek to restore
such in the spirit of meekness, considering your
selvns lest ye also be tempted. Yet deal faithfully
and impartially with those who persist in a course con-
sisting of sound doctrine or practice, "hating even the
garment spotted with the flesh."

True has we value Gospel ministrations when it is com-
municated under the divine anointing and putting forth,
both in testimony and in prayer, we are solicitous that
none among you may be trying to live upon vocal labour

in meetings, or thinking that meetings cannot be profitably held without some vocal expression such temptations are very dangerous both to those who speak, and to those who hear; and if given way to they weaken the establishment of those who give way to them till their ministrations destroy the life of religion instead of strengthening it, and the hearing becomes the object waited upon instead of the soul.

Be not therefore ashamed of silent meetings, neither become quibbles from Sabbath house, aged at their occurrence, but let your hearts be to the Lord, & George Washington - both in them and out of them: and be diligent in attending them; then you will profit under the Lord's over watching; and, if at seasons he put forth any to speak in his name, then will be a preparation of heart to hear with profit, and those who speak under such impressions, keeping within the measure of their exercise, will edify the church and be strengthened at the moment.

We remain, with much love,

Yours friends,

{ Henry, Butcher & Bates
23rd of 3rd mo 1835

James Beckhouse
George Washington Walker

Hebden Town Monthly Meeting held at the School
room of C Grace Parsonage 25th of 5th month 1833

— Minutes present — 1st Report of Abraham C. Howes Sarah Shattoe and
Robt Shattoe.

— Minutes read — 1st The minutes of last monthly meeting held at
Hebden Town have been read.

every Sibb's Estate case
continued 2nd This meeting not seeing its way clear to receive
Mary Sibb's Estate as a member, continues her case,
and recommends the Committee to pay her an
other visit and report.

3rd The following extract has been received from Mr.
Chas. Liveree; viz

Hebden Town monthly meeting of Friends
handed to Mr. A. Hale — Dear Friends 3rd of 5th mo 1833
I have to inform you I delivered to Mary Ann
Hale her testimony of Disownment according to my
appointment Abraham C. Howes

concerning Josiah
S. Hale 4th In the 5th minute of 5th of 2nd month respecting Mr. Hale
mention having been made of Josiah S. Hale's refusing
Abm C. Howes to visit her and that no reason was as-
signed for the refusal.

This meeting in justice to the Principal Superinten-
dent of our visits consider it to be its duty to state
that he explained his reason for refusing to our friend
James C. Howes who waited upon him respecting it;
and on J. C. Howes's rejoinder immediately gave him
an order for A. C. Howes to visit her at the Female Parsonage.

— W^m Goldsby — 5th The Case of W^m Goldsby is continued.

6th This meeting, concerning my judgment, with the S.

That held at Helston, on the application of Henry
H. C. Fisher request, Stamford Bidder to be admitted as a member, hereby accedes
as a member to his request, and appoints Mr. Flower to inform him of
the decision of this meeting.

2^o The following application for membership has been
received

To Helston monthly meeting of Friends
Application for membership Dear Friends Balaust R. 134 No 135

— from — Being fully convinced of the principles of
Joseph Benson leather — Your Society, and with accordance with the Truths of
the Gospel; I beg leave to request that I may be admitted
as a member thereof Your sincere friend
Joseph Benson leather
Abraham C. Flower, A. T. Maynes and Sarah Benson leather
are appointed to visit him thereon and report.

Hobart Town Monthly meeting held at Belvedere Great
Stean Post on the 6th of Octo 1833

Present G F Henry Barnes and Anna & Cotton & one

Member present — Pollard, Henry Cotton, & three of Rev. Mr. Cotton's children

1st The minutes of the last monthly meeting held at

Minutes read — Hobart Town have been read

2nd The case of Mary G. Eade is continued, and the
Rev. Mr. Eade's case continued. Committee before appointed is requested again to re-
view and to transmit its report to the branch of the monthly
meeting held at Hobart Town

3rd Information of the decision of the meeting in the case
of H. G. Garfield Hester was communicated to him by G. C.
Flower

4th The case of William Holdship is continued.

5th The following report from the friends appointed to
visit Joseph Benson Walker has been received.

To Hobart Town monthly meeting of Friends
We the Committee appointed to visit Joseph Benson Walker
on his application for membership have to inform you
we fulfilled our appointment and recommend that
his request be granted to; our visit was quite satisfac-
tory and we have no doubt that he is fully convinced that our
principles of religion are according to the Gospel of Christ
and that he is endeavouring to adopt them in the strength
of divine grace.

W^m Haynes

{ Hobart Town

J B Matine

{ 6th Octo 1833

W^m G. Flower

After deliberate consideration this meeting is of the judge-
ment that the recommendation of the committee
may be safely adopted.

6th The Duties and General Services have been read, agreeably
Quies Sustained - to the instructions of the Yearly Meeting.

St. East Town Monthly meeting of Friends held
at the Schoolroom of C. Grace, Murray Street on the
7th of the 12th month 1835

— Members present — Present Abraham C. Flower & Son & B. Mother and Robert B. Mother.

— Minutes read — 1st The minutes of the last monthly meeting held at Belvedore have been read.

— M. G. Eade — 2nd The case of Mary Gibbs Eade is continued.

— W^m Holdship — 3rd The case of William Holdship is continued.

Joseph B. Mother — 4th This meeting hereby accedes to the request of Joseph Bowden Mother with regard to his application for membership and appoints Son & B. Mother to inform him of the decision of the meeting.

Concerning William — 5th William Nichollies and Isabella his wife having, for some time past, abstained themselves from sickness and wife, meeting, without any reasonable excuse for so doing, and having been visited by some of the members without the desired effect, This meeting hereby appoints W. Payner, Abraham C. Flower and Robt B. Mother to visit them and report.

— Circulars read — 6th The Queries and General Advices have been read

Robert Town. Monthly Meeting of Friends held at this
village Great Swan Fr. 1st & 2^d of 11th Month 1835

Present George Estey, Francis Cotton Anna Maria Estey
Sarah Henry Cotton, Anna Pollard and three of Bob Town's
children.

Minutes read — 1st The minutes of the last monthly meeting held at
Robert Town have been read.

— wth Esdaile's case — 2^d In consequence of our friend David Read having been
sick he is unable to join in visiting Mr Esdaile. His case
is necessarily continued.

Wth Hollingshead — 3^d The case of William Hollingshead is continued.

— wth Mathews' case — 4^d The meeting is informed by the Clerk that Revd A. Mathew
has communicated to George Estey the decision
of the meeting in his case.

5^d The following report has been received from the Com-
mittee appointed to visit William and Isabella Nichol-
lins Wth

Do Robert Town Monthly Meeting of Friends
We, your committee appointed to visit William and Isabella
and Isabella his wife respectively since our attendance at
meetings have to inform you that we fulfilled our appoint-
ment, and that they acknowledged their fault for
not attending, and promised to attend for the future regu-
larly at any time in their power. — To "signe"
Robert Town } Abraham Cotton
22^d Mth 1835 } Robert A. Mathew

The report being satisfactory, this meeting is of the opinion
that their case may be withdrawn.

6 Information of the alteration of the time of holding our

small road for workmen in Stockport town on Friday afternoon and
a few days ago was given to the men of the commissioners in
Robertson's factory the 26th of October 6 hours and by him
and Mr. Williams and Robert Anderson privately, especially
the meetings for workmen - 9. V. 1863. Appointed.

Francis Wilson
Chair

St. Albans Monthly Meeting of Friends held
at the School room of Dr. Dixie Tuesday Morn
2nd of 12th month 1833.

Present James Buckhouse Dr. H. Walker, Francis

— Members present — William L. Collier, H. H. Ridder, Joseph Benson, Mother
W^m Hayes, Robert D. Mother, G. M. Cotton & A. B. Mother

Minutes read — 1st The minutes of the last monthly meeting held at
Welwyn have been read.

2nd The case of Mary Gibbs East is considered and
the American Friends — our Friends James Buckhouse and Dr. H. Walker are
added to the Committee appointed in this case.

The Committee appointed
to visit the soldiers
released and placed
with friends —

3rd The case of a Captain has been under consider-
ation at this time, and it has been thought best
to release the Committee appointed to visit him
to place it with another. The following friends
are appointed to this service James Buckhouse
Geo. H. Walker, Francis Cotton and H. H. Ridder.

— Mrs. Gibbs' husband — 4th This meeting uniting in judgment with that held
at Welwyn withdraws the case of Maria Gibbs' husband

5th Friends having written to their Friends
Prisoners Prisoners of the Crown, who so far profess with Friends as to
who wish to attend — desire to meet with them habitually for worship, and
our meetings — James Buckhouse having informed this meeting that
in a conversation with the Lieutenant Governor he
said the difficulties would be removed if it could be
certified that such persons attended our congregations.
Dr. H. Walker and also Friends & others are appointed to give
certificates to such Friends on behalf of this meeting

6th James Buckhouse is requested to send copies of the
preceding

1. Mouthous to hand - proceeding directly to the Lieutenant Governor, the Chief
Minister to magistrate - Police magistrate and the Principal Superintendent
of Convicts.

James Cottier
Selkirk
