

Meeting House. 6th The clerk informs this meeting that a copy of the 11th minute of last month was furnished as directed.

No. Subscripⁿ 7th The sum of ten shillings has now been entered as the Monthly Subscriptions.

Thomas Mason,
Clerk.

Abart Town Monthly Meeting of Friends
held at their Meeting House, Alldray Street,
the 2nd day of the 1st Month 1851.

Members present Present Geo W Walker, Jos^h W Mather,
Henry Drosting, Robert Mather, Rob^t A Mather,
James B. Cotton, Thomas Mason, S B Walker,
Esther Mather, and Ann Drosting.

Minutes read 1st Minute. The Minutes of last Month
have been read.

Barial Ground. 2nd The 2nd Minute of last Month is
continued.

David Stead's
Disownment. 3rd The following Draft of Testimony of Dis-
ownment against David Stead having been brought
in by the Committee appointed to prepare it,
and having received some alterations has been
adopted, The clerk is directed to sign the same
and furnish a copy to the Committee appointed
to correspond with him.

To all whom this may concern, be it known
that David Stead, formerly a Member of Abart
Town Monthly Meeting of Friends, having married

3rd Min^y (continued)

in a manner contrary to the Rules of our Religious Society, and thereby cut himself off from religious fellowship; and his deviation in this respect from the good order established amongst us having come under the cognizance of this Meeting, and he, after being communicated with on the subject, having admitted that such is the case — This Meeting after weighty deliberation feels there is no other course open than to issue This Testimony of Disownment against him.

In thus certifying that David Stead is no longer in membership with us as a Religious Society, we nevertheless cherish a lively feeling of interest in his religious welfare. Earnestly do we desire that he may follow after the things that make for peace and that the circumstance that called forth this act of Christian Discipline so far from alienating him from the Truth, may be overruled for his good. so that recurring to first principles and attending to the monitions of Divine Grace in the secret of the heart he may walk in the light as God is in the light, and know not merely a renewal of that "fellowship one with another", which is the precious privilege of believers, but also realize the blessed experience of such, that "the blood of Jesus Christ cleanseth from all sin."

And if under the feeling of continued attachment and yet closer adherence to the principles and testimonies upheld by us as a religious society, David Stead at any future period, ^{should} apply for reinstatement in religious membership, this meeting would be glad to take the matter into its serious consideration and we scarcely need assure him it would afford us heartfelt satisfaction were the way thus to open for his reinstatement.

This satisfaction would be greatly enhanced

Testimony
— of —
Disownment
— against —
David Stead.

3rd Minute (continued)

Testimony of were the consistent conduct and circumspect
Disownment conversation of our friends so far to operate in
— against — recommendation of our principles. as to convince
David Stead his partner in life and induce her to adopt the
concluded. same, and join with her husband in the applica-
-tion to be received as a member.

Given forth at our Monthly Meeting in
Hobart Town, Van Diemen's Land on the
second day of the first month 1851 and
signed on behalf of & by direction of the
said Meeting by

Thomas Mason
Clerk.

Lists of 14th Min. The Committee appointed to revise
Members revised. and correct the lists of our Members report that
that service has been attended to.

5th . The following minute has been received
from the Yearly Meeting.

Yearly Meetg. Min.
— relative to —
Members arriving
— from —
South Australia.

Yearly Meeting 1850.

12th Minute. The Monthly Meetings are
instructed henceforth to receive and enrol
as members, all Friends who may arrive
in this Island from South Australia with
certificates of membership or Removal.

The Clerk is directed to furnish
the Monthly Meetings with a copy of this
Minute.

(Copy)

Francis Cotton
Clerk to the Meetg
this year.

To
Hobart Town Monthly Meeting of Friends.

16th The sum of seven shillings and six pence has.
No. Subscriptions now been entered as the Monthly Subscriptions

Thomas Mason
Clerk.

Hobart Town Monthly Meeting of Friends
held at their Meeting House, Murray Street.
the 6th day of the 2nd Mo. 1851.

Present Geo. W. Walker, Jos^h D. Mather,
Henry Propsting, Robert Mather, Robert
Members present Andrew Mather, James Backhouse Cotton,
Thomas Mason, Sarah Benson Walker,
Sarah Crouch, Esther Mather & A Propsting.

Minutes read. 1st Minute. The Minutes of last Month
have been read.

Burial Ground. 2nd Min^l. The 2nd Minute of last
11th Month last is continued.

— Decease & — to this Meeting of the interment of William
— Interment — Kayner of Barrack Street Hobart Town who
— of — died on the 14th day of the 12th Mo. 1850
William Kayner was interred in Friends' Burial Ground, Hob-
art Town on the 18th of the same month
and year.

Decease & — in of the Interment of Joseph Propsting, son
Interment of Henry Propsting, of Hobart Town, (Butcher)
— of — who died on the 20th day of the 12th Month
Joseph Propsting 1850, and was buried in Friends' Burial
Ground, Hobart Town on the 22nd day of
the same month and year.

Advices Read 5th Minute The General Advices have been read.

No. Subscrip^{ns} 6th Minute. The sum of five shillings has
now been entered as the Monthly Subscriptions

Thomas Mason,
Clerk

Hobart Town Monthly Meeting of Friends held at
their Meeting house Murray St. on the 6th Day of the
3rd month 1851.

Present George W Walker, Robert Mather Henry Popsting
— Members present — Joseph Benson Mather, James B Cotton, Sarah B Walker
Esther Mather Ann Popsting & Sarah Rouch

— Minutes read — 1. The Minutes of last Monthly Meeting have been read

— Min^t Continued — 2. The Second Minute of last Month is continued

— Birth Notes — 3. Birth Notes have been brought in In "Thomas Bourne"
Thomas Bourne son of Robert Andrew Mather of Hobart Town, Tazewell, and
— son of — Ann his wife, who was born in Liverpool Street Hobart Town
— R. A. Mather. — on the 23rd day of the 1st month 1851 which have received the
signature of the Clerk who is directed to register them.

— Removal of — 4. Our dear Friends Thomas & Jane Mason with their
Thos & J. Mason family having removed to New Zealand, and the same
— New Zealand — having been brought under the notice of this Meeting
the Clerk is directed to prepare a Certificate of Membership
to be forwarded to them their being no Meeting of Friends
there to whom a notice of removal could be directed

— Subscriptions — 5. The sum of seven Shillings has now been entered
as the Monthly Subscriptions.

Joseph Benson Mather
Clerk this time.

Hobart Town Monthly Meeting of Friends held at
their Meeting house Murray St on the 3rd of 4th month 1851

Members Present — Present George Colwalke Robert Mather Joseph B Mather
Esther Mather Sarah Brouch & Ann Propsting

Clerk & Registrar — 1. Joseph B. Mather is appointed Clerk & Registrar
to this Meeting

Minutes read — 2. The Minutes of last Monthly Meeting have been read

Minute Contin^d — 3. The 2nd Minute of 11th month last is continued

Certificate of — 4. The following Certificate of removal of Thos Mason
Removal for — with his wife and family has been brought in and
Thos Mason — read, and being approved of by this Meeting the Clerk
Family — is directed to sign it on behalf of the Meeting and
forward it to Thomas Mason by an early opportunity
—— "To all whom it may Concern" ——

"Our dear friends, Thomas and Jane Mason with
their four children, John, Thomas, William, Elizabeth Catherine,
and Eliza Ellen - Members of Hobart Town Monthly Meeting of
Friends, commonly called Quakers, having removed from the Company
of this meeting to reside at Wellington, New Zealand; and there
being no Meeting of this Society in that Colony to whom we
can address this document, we feel called upon in this
way to testify to their exemplary life and conversation and
to the good esteem in which they were held whilst in membership
with us. We cordially commend these our dear friends with
their beloved children to the kind and Christian notice of those amongst
whom their lot may be cast and sincerely do we desire that the blessing
of the Almighty may rest upon them and that they may experience Him
to be a downy defence at all times."

Subscriptions — 5. The sum of Six Shillings has now been entered as
Monthly Subscriptions.

Joseph Benson Mather

Clerk -

Hobart Town Monthly Meeting of Friends held at
their Meeting house Murray Street the 1st of 5th Month 1851.

— Members Present — Present George W. Walker, Robert Mather Henry Propsting
James W. Cotton Joseph B. Mather, Sarah B. Mather,
Ester Mather & Sarah Crouch

— Minutes read — 1st The Minutes of last Monthly Meeting have been read

— Grant issued — 2. The Grant from the Town for Friends' Burial Ground
situated in "Inchfort Street" Hobart Town and measuring

— for — One rood & 39 perches has been issued by the Local Govt
to George W. Walker Joseph Benson Mather & Henry

— Burial Ground — Propsting the Trustees appointed by this Meeting; it is
now brought before this Meeting and bears date the 10th
day of March in the fourteenth year of the reign of Queen Victoria
and signed "W. J. Dennis on"

"Enrolled and recorded in the Supreme Court of Van-
Diemens Land the 15th day of March 1851. by "Wm Sorell"
Registrar of the Supreme Court Book 25. Page 35. No 5204."

— Trust Deed — A. Trust deed for the above ground has been also brought
in which has been executed by the above named Friends Geo
W. Walker J. B. Mather. & Henry Propsting which bears date
— of — the 2nd April 1851. and was signed sealed and delivered by
— Burial Ground — the said Friends in the presence of Thomas Nicholson
Solicitor Hobart Town and was registered in the Supreme
Court Hobart Town on the 3rd day of April 1851 at One O'clock
P.M. by Wm Sorell Registrar of Deeds No 5865.

The above described deeds are placed in the care of
George W. Walker & Joseph B. Mather on behalf of this Meeting.

— Tho. Squire — 3. Thomas Squire having discontinued his attendance at
our Meetings for worship for some time this Meeting appoints
Henry Propsting & Joseph B. Mather to visit him and report

— Subscription — 4. The sum of Six shillings has now been entered as
Monthly Subscriptions

Joseph Benson Mather
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Stobart Iowa Monthly Meeting of Friends held at their
Meeting House Murray Street on the 5th day of 6th Month 1851.

Present George W. Walker, Robert Mather Henry Propsting
Members — J. B. Mather, Jas W. Cotton, Sarah B. Mather, Sarah Bouch
Esther Mather & Sarah Bell

Minutes — 1. The Minutes of last Monthly Meeting have been read

Resolution — 2. The case of Thomas Samie is continued

Answers to the Queries

Answers — 1st Query. Meetings for worship and Discipline are kept up
but by some Friends they are not attended daily nor
at the time appointed. Unbecoming behavior is
avoided with some exceptions with regard to dressings.
to —

Queries — 2nd We believe Friends endeavor to be preserved
in love one towards another; when differences have
arisen care has been taken to end them speedily. but we
fear Friends are not sufficiently careful to avoid and
discourage talebearing and detraction.

Adjournment — 4 This Meeting adjourns till the close of our Meeting
for worship next fifth day.

6th Month 11th

5. Met pursuant to adjournment
Present also Francis Cotton

Answers — 4th Query. We believe it is the care of most Friends
by example and precept to train up their children,
to — Servants, and those under their care in a religious
life and conversation, consistent with our Christian
Queries — profession. but there are some exceptions as to plainness
of speech behavior and apparel.

5th We believe it is the care of all Friends to be frequent

in reading the Holy Scriptures, and that those who have children, servants, and others make their own endeavour to train them up in the practice of this religious duty.

Answers
to

Queries — 6. We believe Friends are just in their dealings but there are one or two exceptions as regards punctuality in fulfilling engagements

Burial^g — 6th Minute. The Friends in charge of the Burial Ground are requested to make enquiry as to the erection of a Wall & report to this meeting.

Subscript^{ns} — 7. The sum of Seven shillings has now been entered as Monthly Subscriptions.

Joseph Benson Mathe^r
Clerk.

Hobart Town Monthly Meeting of Friends held at their meeting house Murray Street on the 3rd of 7th Month 1857.

Members — Present Geo^l Walke, Henry Propsting, Joseph B Mathe^r, S. B Walke, Esther Mathe^r & Sarah Gough.

Minutes — 1. The Minutes of last Monthly Meeting have been read.

Thos Squire — 2. The Case of Thomas Squire is continued

Burial^g — 3. The Seventh Minute of last Month relative to enclosing the Burial Ground, is continued

Payment — 4. The Account of the Solicitor employed to obtain the grant of the Burial Ground amounting to sixteen pounds eleven shillings & six pence has now been laid before this meeting, which the Clerk is directed to signicate.

Subscriptions — 5. The sum of Six shillings has now been entered by the Clerk as Monthly Subscriptions

Joseph Benson Mathe^r
Clerk.

Hobart Town Monthly Meeting of Friends held at
their Meeting house Munday Oct on the 7th of 8th Month 1851

Present — Henry Propsting, Jas^d Botton, George Walker
Sarah B. Walker, S. Brouch Esther Mather & Fanny Mather.

Minutes — 1. The Minutes of last Monthly Meeting have been read

Thos Squire — 2. The Case of Thomas Squire is continued.

Burial ground — 3. The 3rd Minute of last Month relative to enclosing
the Burial ground is continued.

Account — 4. The Account rendered by the Solicitor referred
to in the 4th Minute of last Month has been paid
by the Clerk as directed.

Subscriptions — 5. The Sum of Five Shillings has now been
entered by the Clerk as Monthly Subscriptions.

Advices — 6. The Advices have been read at this time.

Joseph Benson Mather
Clerk

Hobart Town Monthly Meeting of Friends held at their
Meeting house Munday Oct on the 14th of 9th Month 1851

Members — Present George Walker Hob^d Mather Henry Propsting
Joseph Benson Mather J. Botton. S. Mather. S. Brouch & H. Propsting.

Minutes — 1. The Minutes of last Monthly Meeting have been read

Thos Squire — 2. The Case of Thomas Squire is continued

Burial ground — 3. The 7th Minute of 6th Month last relative to
enclosing the Burial ground is continued.

Subscriptions — 4. The Sum of Five Shillings has now been entered
as Monthly Subscriptions.

Joseph Benson Mather
Clerk

Hobart Town Monthly Meeting of Friends
held at their Meeting House, Murray Street
on the 2nd day of the 10th Month 1851.

Members Present: George W. Walker, Robert Mather, Henry Propsting, Joseph B. Mather, Esther Mather, Sarah Crouch, Ann Propsting and Ann Mather.

Minutes 1, The minutes of last Monthly meeting have been read.

Thos Squire 2, The case of Thomas Squire is continued.

Wall to be erected around Burial ground 3, This meeting is informed that the Friends appointed to the care of the Burial ground have agreed for the erection of a rubble stone wall, six feet high & to have glass bottles on the top properly set in mortar. Two piers for the gateway 7 feet high, and to have a stone cap on the top agreeable to a specification made out and signed by the contracting parties. The cost is to be Eighty Pounds which amount is now nearly subscribed for.

Birth Notes for "Elizabeth Georgina" daughter of Henry & A Propsting 4, Birth notes have been brought in for "Elizabeth Georgina" daughter of Henry Propsting of Hobart Town, Butcher and Ann his wife, who was born on the New Town road, Van Dieman's Land on the sixth day of the sixth month 1851, which have been examined by this meeting, and have received the signature of the clerk who is directed to register them.

Subscriptions 5, The sum of Eight shillings has now been entered by the clerk as monthly subscriptions.

Joseph Benson Mather
Clerk -

Hobartown Monthly Meeting of Friends held at
their meetinghouse Murray Street on the sixth
day of the 11th month 1851.

Present, George W. Walker, Robert Mather, Henry
Propsting, Joseph B. Mather, Sarah B. Walker, Esther
Mather, Sarah Crouch, Ann Propsting & Ann Mather.

Minutes — 1, The minutes of last Monthly meeting have been read.

Thos Squire — 2, The case of Thomas Squire is continued.

3 The following minutes has been received from
Launceston Monthly meeting.

Minute from — Launceston Monthly Meeting of Friends, held
Launceston — "at Kelvedon Great Swan Port on the 31st day of
Nov. Meeting — "7th month 1851.
"4th minute —

George Cotton having married in a manner
contrary to the rules of our society, this meeting
thinks the proper course will be to place his case under
the care of the Monthly Meeting of Hobart Town
Copy. (signed) Francis Cotton
Clerk

The above case having been under the serious consider-
ation of this Meeting and there appearing no other course
open, George W. Walker is appointed to draw up a testimony
of disownment against George Cotton, and bring it to
our next monthly meeting.

Subscript^{ns} — 4, The sum of six shillings has now been entered as
monthly subscriptions.

Adjournment — 5, This Meeting adjourns till the close of the Meeting
for worship on 5th day the 27th inst.

Fifth day - 27th of 11 month, —
Met pursuant to adjournment, present also,
Francis Cotton.

— Answers to the Queries. —

1, Meetings for worship and discipline are kept up, but are not attended duly by all Friends, nor at the time appointed: Unbecoming behaviour is avoided, with some exception as regards drowsiness.

2, We fear there is amongst us but little growth in the Truth.

3, We believe friends are preserved in love one towards another, if differences arise, care is taken to end them speedily, and that friends are careful to avoid and discourage tale bearing and detraction.

— Answers —

— to —

— Queries —

4, We believe Friends do endeavour by example & precept to train up their children, servants, and those under their care, in a religious life and conversation consistent with our Christian profession, with some exception, but more particularly in reference to plainness of speech, behavior and apparel.

5, We believe it is the care of all Friends to be frequent in reading the Holy Scriptures and that those who have children, servants and others under their care train them up in the practice of this religious duty.

6, We believe Friends are just in their dealings, and with one or two exceptions, punctual in fulfilling their engagements.

7, We believe Friends do avoid all vain sports and places of diversion, gaming, all unnecessary frequenting of taverns and other public houses, excess in drinking and other intemperances.

— Adjournment — This Meeting adjourns till 1/2 past Six o'clock this evening.

— 8. Met pursuant to adjournment. —

8 Query Friends in this Colony are not subject to any demands of an Ecclesiastical nature.

9. We believe Friends are faithful in our testimony against bearing arms, and being in any manner concerned in the militia, in privateers or armed vessels or dealing in prize goods.

10. We have no poor among us requiring assistance from this monthly meeting, nor offspring of such requiring the care of Friends in their education.

11. We believe due care is taken when anything appears to require it, that the rules of our discipline be timely and impartially put in practice.

12. There is a little appearance of conviction among us, but none have been added to our society on that ground since last year.

Answers
to

Queries

13. We believe it is the care of Friends early to admonish such as appear inclined to marry in a manner contrary to the rules of our society and in due time to deal with such as persist in refusing to take counsel.

14. We have two Friends appointed as overseers. The rules respecting removals are duly observed; the general advices are read as directed, and the list of our members is revised and corrected once in the year.

15. No formal appointment has been made this year to advise Friends to keep correct and clear accounts and carefully to inspect the state of their affairs once in the year, but we believe a care exists amongst Friends in these respects.

16. Friends are clear of defrauding the Queen of her customs duties & excise and of using or dealing in goods suspected to be run.

17. Due care is taken to register all marriages, births and burials; the title to our burial ground is duly preserved.

and recorded - but that of our meeting house is not yet settled; the rules respecting registries and trust properties are observed, the other portions of the Query have no present application to us.

9th minute Our friend Henry Propsting is appointed as representative of this monthly meeting and to carry forward our answers to the Queries to the Yearly Meeting - the Clerk is directed to furnish him with a copy.

Joseph Benson Mather
Clerk.

Hobart Town monthly meeting of Friends held at their meeting house Murray Street on the 4th day of 12th mo: 1851.

Present - George W. Walker, Francis Cotton, Robert Mather, Henry Propsting, J. B. Cotton, Joseph B. Mather, Sarah B. Walker, Esther Mather, Ann Propsting, Ann Mather and Sarah Crouch.

Minutes - 1. The minutes of last monthly meeting have been read.

Thomas Squire - 2. The case of Thomas Squire is continued.

3. The following Testimony of disownment against George Cotton, has been brought in and read, and having met with the approval of this meeting, has been signed by the Clerk, who is directed to forward it to the said George Cotton, and report.

Disownment - To all whom it may concern. Be it known that George Cotton of Kelvedon, Great Swarford, a member of Launceston Monthly meeting of Friends Van Dieman's Land, having married in a manner contrary to the rules of our religious Society the fact has been brought under our notice by the before mentioned meeting, with the view that we might deal with the case in accordance with the good order established amongst us, and as in our judgment might be deemed best. This is to certify that having had the subject at this time under

our serious consideration, we have concluded it would be right to testify our disunity with George Cotton in the proceedings above referred to and to issue this Testimony of Disownment against him by which he ceases to be a member of the Society of Friends.

Whilst thus discharging a painful duty, we cannot but desire that the said George Cotton may be brought not only to see his error, but sincerely to repent of every deviation from rectitude of which he may be made conscious in the light of the unflattering witness for God in his own conscience. And that his future conduct may afford evidence of true contrition by exhibiting fruits meet for repentance.

That thus way may open for his restoration to Membership; and that his present partner in life to whom our Christian interest likewise extends may be influenced thereby to the adoption of those principles and practices upheld by us as a religious people.

Signed in and on behalf of the Hobart Town Monthly meeting of Friends, held at their meetinghouse Murray Street on the fourth day of the Twelfth month One thousand, eight hundred & fifty one.

Joseph Benson M. A. Secy. Sub.

4, Birth notes have been brought in for "Joseph Benson" son of George W. Walker of Hobart Town, Draper, and Sarah Benson his wife - who was born in Liverpool Street Hobart Town, on the 26th day of the Ninth month 1851. also

for "Mary Louisa" daughter of Joseph Benson Walker of Hobart Town, hosiery, and Anna Manahis wife.

who was born in Liverpool Street Hobart Town on the 30th day of the Tenth month 1851. - which have been examined by this meeting, and have received the signature of the Clerk who is directed to register them.

5, The sum of five shillings has now been entered as monthly subscriptions.

Library — 6, George W. Walker and Henry Propsting are appointed
to examine the state of the Hobart Town library & report.

Joseph Benson Mather
Clerk.

Hobart Town monthly meeting of Friends held at
their meeting house, Murray Street on the 1st of 1st Month
1852.

Members — Present Robert Mather, Henry Propsting, Joseph Benson
Mather, J. B. Cotton, Sarah B. Walker, Esther Mather,
Ann Propsting and Ann Mather.

Minutes — 1, The proceedings of last monthly meeting have been read.

The Squire — 2, The case of Thomas Squire is continued.

Geo Cotton — 3, The third minute of last month is continued.

Library — 4, The sixth minute of last month is continued.

5, The following minute has been received from the
Yearly Meeting.

Yearly Meeting of Van Diemen's Land —
1851.

14th minute.

Minute from — From the removal of members and other causes,
Yearly Meeting — there being now left but one member resident in the
Launceston branch of the Launceston monthly meeting
after weighty considerations, it has been deemed
proper to incorporate that branch of Launceston
monthly meeting held at Kelvedon, Great Swan Port
with the monthly meeting of Hobart Town; and that
the monthly meeting be held alternately in Hobart
Town and at Great Swan Port. The minutes of the
monthly meeting to be reciprocally united with, and
confirmed in both meetings, before being finally
adopted. The Monthly Meeting to be held in Hobart Town
on the first fifth day, and at Great Swan Port on the

third fifth day in each month.

Yearly Meeting

The Clerk is requested to hand Copies of this minute to the monthly meetings of Hobart Town and Launceston.

(signed) Francis Cotton
Clerk.

To Hobart Town Monthly meeting of Friends.

6, The Clerk informs the meeting that the wall round the Burial ground is completed - and he is hereby empowered to pay the sum of Eighty Pounds being the amount agreed for its erection, out of the funds raised for that purpose.

Burial ground

Wall

to be paid for

7. The sum of five shillings, has now been entered by the Clerk as monthly subscriptions.

Subscriptions

Joseph Benson Mather
Clerk

Hobart Town Monthly Meeting of Friends held at their meeting house, Murray Street, on the 5th day of the 2nd Month 1852.

Present - George W. Walker, Robert Mather, Henry Propsting, Joseph B. Mather, J. B. Cotton, Sarah B. Walker, Esther Mather, Sarah Crouch, and Ann Propsting.

Members

Minutes

1. The minutes of last Monthly meeting have been read.

Thos Squire

2. The case of Thomas Squire is continued.

Impracticable

to carry out

the wishes of the

Yearly Meeting

in the

Kelvedon Meetg

3. The Clerk informs this meeting that he has received intimation from the Clerk of Kelvedon meeting that from the removal of members, and other causes, it is found impracticable at present to carry out the wishes of the Yearly meeting as expressed in its 17th minute forwarded to this meeting and recorded in the 5th minute of last month.

- Library — 4, The sixth minute of twelfth month last is continued.
- George Cotton — 5, The clerk informs the meeting that the Testimony of Disownment against George Cotton was duly forwarded to him, but the receipt thereof has not been acknowledged.
- Burial ground — 6, The clerk informs the meeting that the amount has been duly paid for the erection of the wall round the Burial ground.
- Tho Willington — 7, Thomas Willington a member of Launceston monthly meeting having removed to Adelaide, the clerk is directed to forward a certificate of his removal to Adelaide Two months meeting.
- removed to — South Australia —
- Subscriptions — 8, The sum of five shillings has now been entered by the clerk as monthly subscriptions.

Joseph Benson Mather
Clerk

Hobart Town Monthly Meeting of Friends held at their meeting house Murray Street by adjournment on the 11th of 3rd Month 1852.

— Members — Present, George W. Walker, Robert Mather, Henry Propsting, Joseph B. Mather, J. B. Cotton, Esther Mather, Sarah Bouch and Ann Mather,

— Minutes — 1, The minutes of last monthly meeting have been read

— Tho Squire — 2, The case of Thomas Squire is continued, George W. Walker is added to the committee to visit him.

— Library — 3 The library has been examined and the books are in good order — reported to be in pretty good order.

— Tho Willington — 4, The seventh minute of last month is continued

— Subscriptions — 5, The sum of seven shillings & six pence has now been entered as monthly subscriptions.

Joseph Benson Mather
Clerk

Hobart Town Monthly Meeting of Friends held at their meetinghouse Murray Street the 1st day of the Fourth month 1852.

— Members — Present. George W. Walker, Robert Mather, Henry Propsting Joseph B. Mather, J. B. Cotton, Esther Mather and Ann Mather.

— Minutes — 1, The minutes of last monthly meeting have been read.

— Thomas Squire — 2. The case of Thomas Squire is continued.

— The Willington — 3. The clerk having been informed that Thomas Willington has removed for a short time to Port Phillip, his certificate of removal is postponed for the present.

— Payment to — 4, An account has been brought in for superintending the erection of the wall round the burial ground.
— Architect — amounting to three Pounds seventeen shillings
— on a/c of — which the clerk is directed to pay out of the funds
— Burial ground — of this meeting.

— Subscriptions — 5, The sum of seven shillings & six pence has now been entered as monthly subscriptions.

Joseph Benson Mather
Clerk

Hobart Town monthly meeting of Friends
held at their meeting house Murray Street, on
the sixth day of the 5th month 1852.

- Members — Present. George W. Walker, Robert Mather, Henry Propsting, Joseph B. Mather, J.B. Cotton, Sarah B. Walker, Esther Mather, and Ann Propsting.
- Minutes — 1, The minutes of last monthly meeting have been read.
- Thos Squire — 2, The case of Thomas Squire is continued.
- Payments — 3, The Clerk informs the meeting that he paid the amount as directed in the 4th minute of last month.
- Thos Willington — 4, A Certificate of Removal has been brought in for Thomas Willington, which the clerk is requested to forward to Adelaide two months
- Certificate of — meeting and report.
- Removal S. Austⁿ — 5, The sum of seven shillings & six pence has
- Subscriptions — now been entered as monthly subscriptions.

Joseph Benson Mather
Clerk

Hobart Town monthly meeting of Friends
held at their meeting house Murray Street.
3rd day of the Sixth month 1852.

- Members — Present. Robert Mather, Henry Propsting, Joseph B. Mather, James B. Cotton Sarah B. Walker, Sarah Crouch Esther Mather, and Ann Propsting.
- Minutes — 1, The minutes of last monthly meeting have been read.

— *Thos Squire* — 2, The case of Thomas Squire has been continued.

— *Thos Willington* — 3, The fourth minute of last month is continued.

Answers to the Queries.

1. Meetings for Worship and Discipline are kept up, but not attended duly by all Friends, nor at the time appointed; Unbecoming behaviour is avoided excepting some instances of drowsiness.

— *Answers* —

— *to the* —

— *Queries* —

3. Most Friends we believe are preserved in love towards each other; if differences arise care is taken speedily to end them; and Friends are careful to avoid and discourage talebearing and detraction.

4. Friends do endeavour by example & precept to train up their children, servants, and those under their care, in a religious life and conversation consistent with our christian profession: but there are some exceptions to plainness of speech behaviour and apparel.

5. We believe it is the care of all Friends to be frequent in reading the Holy Scriptures, and that those who have children, servants, and others under their care endeavour to train them up in the practice of this religious duty.

6. Friends are just in their dealings, but there are one or two exceptions as to punctuality in fulfilling engagements.

— *Subscriptions* — 4 minute, The sum of Eleven shillings & six pence has now been entered as monthly subscriptions.

Joseph Benson Mather
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Hobart Town monthly meeting of Friends held at their meeting house, Murray Street, on the 1st day of the Seventh month 1852.

— Members — Present. George W. Walker, Robert Mather, Henry Propsting, Joseph B. Mather, Sarah B. Walker, Esther Mather, and Ann Propsting.

— Minutes — 1. The minutes of last monthly meeting have been read.

— Thos Squire — 2. The case of Thomas Squire is continued.

— Thos Willington — 3. The clerk has forwarded the Certificate of membership for Thomas Willington to Adelaide 100 months meeting as directed,

Subscriptions 4. The sum of seven shillings and six pence has now been entered as monthly subscriptions.

Joseph Benson Mather
Clerk

Hobart Town monthly meeting of Friends held at their meeting house, Murray Street, on the 5th day of Eighth month 1852.

— Members — Present. Henry Propsting, George W. Walker, James B. Colton, Esther Mather, and Sarah B. Walker.

— Minutes — 1. The minutes of last monthly meeting have been read.

— Thos Squire — 2. The case of Thomas Squire is continued.

— Burial Note — 3. Burial notes have been brought in for John Rowntree
— for — aged three years, who died at Melville Street Hobart
— John Rowntree — Town on the 8th day of the Sixth month 1852 and was
interred in Friends' Burial Ground on the tenth day
of the same month (by permission) son of Edward

Benson Rountree of Hobart Town, carpenter

- Burial Note — also for Anna Maria Mather aged eleven days, who
— In — died at Liverpool Street Hobart Town on the sixth
— Anna M. Mather of the sixth month and was interred on the tenth
— daughter of — day of same month ^{in Friends Burial ground} daughter of Robert Andrew
— R & A Mather — and Anna Mather.

4, Birth notes have been brought in for Joseph
Benson, and Anna Maria twin children of

- Birth Notes — Robert Andrew Mather of Hobart Town, draper,
— In — and Ann his wife, who were born in Liverpool
— Joseph Benson — Street Hobart Town on the twenty fifth day of the
— Anna Maria Mather — Fifth month 1852. The above birth notes having
been signed by the clerk, he is directed to register
them.

- Subscription — 5, The sum of seven shillings and sixpence has
been entered as monthly subscriptions.

(Signed)

George W Walker

Clerk this time

Hobart Town Monthly Meeting of Friends
held at their Meeting house Murray Street on
the 2nd day of the Ninth month 1852

Present Robert Mather, Henry Propsting, James B. Cotton, George W. Walker
Esther Mather & Ann Propsting

- Members —
— Minutes — 1, The minutes of last monthly meeting have been
read.
— Thos Squire — 2 The case of Thomas Squire is continued.
— Subscriptions — 3, The sum of seven shillings & sixpence has
been entered as monthly subscriptions.
— Advices — 4 The general advices have been read at this time

(Signed)

George W Walker

Clerk this time.

Hobart Town monthly meeting of Friends held
at their meeting house Murray Street on the 7th day
of the Tenth month 1852.

— Members — Present — Robert Mather, Henry Propsting, James
B. Cotton, George W. Walker, Sarah B. Walker, Sarah
Crouch, and Ann Propsting.

— Minutes — 1, The minutes of last monthly meeting have been
read,

— Tho Squire — 2, The case of Thomas Squire is continued,

— Advice — 3, Henry Propsting and George W. Walker, are ap-
pointed to advise Friends to keep correct & clear
to keep correct and accounts, and carefully to inspect the state of their
— Clear Acc^{ts} &c — affairs at least once in the year.

— Subscriptions — 4, The sum of seven shillings & six pence has been
entered as monthly subscription.

(Signed)

George W Walker
Clerk this time

Hobart Town monthly meeting of Friends held
at their meeting house Murray Street on the 4th day
of the Eleventh month 1852.

— Members — Present — George W. Walker, Robert Mather, Henry Propsting
George Bell, Joseph B. Mather, Sarah B. Walker,
Esther Mather, Ann Propsting, Sarah Crouch and
Ann Mather.

— Minutes — 1, The minutes of last monthly meeting have been read.

— Tho Squire — 2, The case of Thomas Squire is continued,

3, The third minute of last month is continued.

4, The following acknowledgment of Thomas Wellington's
certificate has been received from South Australia
Mount Barker 6th of 9th month 1852.

Dear Friend

George W. Walker.

"South Australia" — I am directed by the Two months
— 2 Mos' Meeting — Meeting of Friends of South Australia, to acknowledge
relative to Amor — the receipt of a certificate of Membership & of removal
— Tho^s Wellington — issued by Hobart Town monthly meeting on behalf
of Thomas Wellington which has been accepted by it.
Though Thomas Wellington has not yet returned to this
Colony.

Will thou be kind enough to hand this notice to
Hobart Town Monthly Meeting.

I am respectfully, thy friend
(signed) William May.

Answers to the Queries.

1, Meetings for Worship and Discipline are kept up, but
not duly attended, nor at the time appointed: unbearing
behaviour is avoided therein except some instances of
drowsiness.

2, We believe there is amongst us but little growth in
the Truth.

Answers —

To —

Queries —

3, We believe that most friends are preserved in love,
one towards another, if differences arise care is taken
speedily to end them; and we believe Friends are
careful to avoid and discourage tale bearing and
detraction.

4, We believe that most friends do by example & precept
endeavour to train up their children, servants and
those under their care in a religious life & conversation
consistent with our Christian profession — but
there are exceptions as to plainness of speech behaviour
and apparel.

5, We believe that Friends are careful to be frequent in reading the Holy Scriptures: and that those who have children, servants and others under their care, train them up in the practice of this religious duty.

5 minute, This meeting adjourns till the close of our meeting for worship next fifth day morning, 11th of 11th Month.

6, Met pursuant to adjournment, present also, Robert Lindsey & Frederick Mackie from England.

7, Our Dear Friend Robert Lindsey has laid before this meeting ~~a~~^a certificate from Brighouse Monthly Meeting. also from the Quarterly meeting of York and from the Yearly meeting of Ministers and Elders of the Society of Friends in England. which have been read at this time.

8, Our Dear Friend Frederick Mackie has laid before this meeting a minute from Norwich Monthly Meeting, approving of his proceeding as a companion to our Friend Robert Lindsey in his religious services.

Query, Friends are just in their dealings but it is believed there are one or two exceptions as to punctuality in fulfilling engagements, which have been under care.

Answers — 7. Friends avoid all vain sports and places of diversion, gaming, all unnecessary frequenting of tavern and other public houses excessive drinking and other intemperance.

8, Friends in this Colony are not subject to any demands of an ecclesiastical character.

9, Friends are faithful in our Testimonies against bearing arms or being in any manner concerned in the militia, in privateers, or armed vessels or dealing in prize goods.

10, We have no poor amongst us requiring relief nor offspring of such requiring the care of the monthly meeting in their education.

11. Due care is taken when any thing appears to require it, that the rules of our discipline be timely and impartially put in practice.

12. There is some little appearance of conviction amongst us, but none have been joined to our Society on that ground since last year.

13, No Case has occurred during the past year of wishing to marry in a manner contrary to the rules of our Society, but a care exists in the minds of Friends in these respects.

14, We have two Friends in the station of Overseer. The rules respecting removals are duly observed, the general advices are read as directed, and the lists of our members are annually revised and corrected.

15, Friends are annually advised to keep correct and clear accounts and carefully to inspect the state of their affairs once in the year.

16, Friends are clear of defrauding the Queen of her customs, duties and excise, and of using or dealing in goods suspected to be run.

17. We have no prosecutions or sufferings to record, due care is taken to register all marriages, births and burials, The title to our burial ground is duly procured and recorded; that of our Meeting house is not yet settled. Rules respecting registries and trust properties are observed. The other part of the query has no present application to us.

— Answers —
— to —
— Queries —

Representative to Yearly Meeting 9th minute. Our friend Henry Propsting is appointed our representative to take the foregoing answers to the queries to the Yearly Meeting. — and the clerk is directed to furnish him with a copy.

Lists of Members — 10. Henry Propsting and Joseph B. Mather, are appointed to revise and correct the list of our members.

Subscriptions — 11 The sum of seventeen shillings and six pence has now been entered by the clerk, as monthly subscriptions.

Joseph Benson Mather
Clerk

Hobart Town monthly meeting of Friends held at their meeting house Murray Street on the 2nd day of the twelfth month 1852.

Members — Present — Robert Lindsey, Frederick Mackie, George W. Walker, Francis Collon, Henry Propsting, Robert A. Mather, Joseph B. Mather, Sarah B. Walker, Esther Mather, Sarah Crouch, Ann Propsting and Ann Mather.

Minutes — 1. The minutes of last monthly meeting have been read.

Thos Squire — 2. The case of Thomas Squire is continued.

Correct & Clear Accts — 3. George W. Walker, and Henry Propsting have fulfilled their appointment to advise Friends to keep correct and clear accounts, and carefully to examine the state of their affairs at least once in the year.

Lists of Members — 4. The lists of our members have been revised and corrected.

Application for Membership — 5. An application for membership has been received from Isabella Nicholas.

Isabella^{ly} Nicholas — Esther Mather, Ann Propsting, Francis Collon, and Henry Propsting are appointed to visit her thereon and report.

Birth Notes
for
Josiah Geo Propsting

6th Birth notes have been brought in for Josiah George Propsting who was born on the 19th day of Seventh month 1852. at the New Town road in the County of Buckingham, Van Diemen Land son of Henry Propsting of Hobart Town butcher and Ann his wife; which being signed by the clerk are directed to be recorded & registered.

Subscriptions

7. The sum of Seven shillings and six pence has now been entered as monthly subscriptions.

Joseph Benson Mather
Clerk

Hobart Town monthly meeting of Friends held at their meeting house Murray Street on the 6th day of the 1st Month 1853.

— Members —

Present — Robert Lindsey, Frederick Mackie, George W. Walker, Henry Propsting, Joseph B. Mather, Sarah B. Walker, Sarah Crouch and Ann Propsting.

— Minutes —

1. The minutes of last monthly meeting have been read.

— Tho Squire —

2. The case of Thomas Squire is continued.

— J. Nicholas —

3. The case of Isabella Nicholas is continued.

— Subscriptions —

4. The sum of nine shillings and six pence has now been entered as monthly subscriptions.

Joseph Benson Mather
Clerk

Hobart Town monthly meeting of Friends, held at their meeting house Murray Street on the 3rd day of Second month 1853.

— Members — Present George W. Walker, Henry Propsting, Robert A. Mather, and Joseph B. Mather.

— Minutes — 1. The minutes of last monthly meeting have been read.

— Tho^s Squire — 2. The case of Thomas Squire is continued.

— J. Nicholas — 3. The case of Isabella Nicholas is continued.

— Subscriptions — 4. The sum of ten shillings has now been entered as monthly subscriptions.

Joseph Benson Mather
Clerk

Hobart Town monthly meeting of Friends held at their meeting house Murray Street on the 3rd day of the Third month 1853.

— Members — Present Francis Cotton Henry Propsting, George W. Walker, Ann Propsting and Ann Mather.

— Minutes — 1. The minutes of last monthly meeting have been read.

— Tho^s Squire — 2. The case of Thomas Squire is continued.

— J. Nicholas — 3. Henry Propsting reports that three of the four Friends appointed to visit Isabella Nicholas have had an interview with her but that they are not prepared at present to report on her case: it is therefore continued.

— J. B. Walker — 4. James Backhouse Walker a member of this meeting having been sent to England by his parents to be educated it is thought desirable that a communication on his behalf should be addressed to the meeting for sufferings.

in London recommending him to their Christian care
and oversight - that the privilege of membership may
Communication - be obtained for him in the Monthly meeting where his
lot may be cast. Francis Cotton, Joseph B. Mather,
with - Henry Propsting, and Robert A. Mather are requested
Meeting for Sufferings - to communicate with the meeting for Sufferings
relative to - thereupon in furtherance of the objects of this minute.
J. B. Walker

5 - The sum of Ten shillings has been entered as monthly
subscriptions.

(Signed) George W. Walker
Clerk at this time.

Hobart Town monthly meeting of friends held
at their Meeting house Murray Street on the 7th
of Fourth month 1853.

Members - Present - George W. Walker, Henry Propsting, Joseph
B. Mather, Sarah B. Walker Ann Mather Sarah Brown
and Ann Propsting.

Minutes - 1, The minutes of last monthly meeting have been read.

Thos Squire - 2, The case of Thomas Squire is continued.

J. Nicholas - 3, The case of Isabella Nicholas is continued.

J. B. Walker - 4, A communication addressed to the Meeting for
Sufferings in London relative to James B. Walker
has been brought in by the friends appointed for
that purpose, which being satisfactory to this meeting
they are directed to forward it to England as soon as
practicable.

Burial Notes - 5, A Burial note has been brought in for George
Bell, a member of this meeting who died on the
fourth month day of the Eleventh month 1852 and
was interred in Friends' Burial ground at Hobart
Town on the second of Twelfth month following.

— Subscriptions — 6. The sum of Twelve shillings has now been entered as monthly subscriptions.

Joseph Benson Mather
Clerk

Hobart Town monthly meeting of Friends held at their Meeting house, Murray Street the 19th of Fifth month 1853.

— Members — Present: George W. Walker, Robert Mather, Henry Propsting, Joseph B. Mather, Samuel W. Strong, Esther Mather, Sarah Brouck, and Ann Propsting.

— Minutes — 1. The minutes of last monthly meeting have been read.

— Tho^s Squire — 2. The case of Thomas Squire is continued.

— J. Nicholas — 3. The case of Isabella Nicholas is continued.

— Subscriptions — 4. The sum of twelve shillings has now been entered as monthly subscriptions.

Joseph Benson Mather
Clerk

Hobart Town monthly meeting of Friends held at their meeting house, Murray Street 2nd of Sixth Month 1853.

— Members — Present: George W. Walker, Robert Mather, Henry Propsting, Samuel W. Strong, Joseph B. Mather, Sarah B. Walker, Esther Mather, Ann Mather, Ann Propsting & Sarah Brouck.

— Minutes — 1. The minutes of last monthly meeting have been read.

— Tho^s Squire — 2. The case of Thomas Squire is continued.

— J. Nicholas — 3. The case of Isabella Nicholas is continued.

Answers to the Queries.

1. Meetings for Worship and Discipline are kept up, but they are not attended duly by all Friends nor is the time appointed well observed - unbecoming behaviour is avoided excepting some sleeping in meetings.

3. With one exception under care Friends are preserved in love one towards another, when differences arise care is taken to end them speedily, and Friends are careful to avoid and discourage talebearing and detractions.

4. Friends do endeavour by example and precept to train up their children, servants, and those under their care to a religious life and conversation consistent with our Christian profession; but there is some exception as to plainness of speech behavior and apparel.

5. We believe it is the care of all friends to be frequent in reading the Holy Scriptures, and that those who have children servants and others under their care train them up in the practice of this religious duty.

6. We believe Friends are just in their dealings and punctual in fulfilling their engagements.

4th minute, The sum of eleven shillings has now been entered as monthly subscriptions.

Joseph Benson Mather
Clerk

Hobart Town monthly meeting of Friends held at their meeting house Murray Street on the 7th day of the Seventh month 1853.

Present George W. Walker, Robert Mather, Henry Propsting, Joseph B. Mather Sarah B. Walker, Esther Mather, Ann Propsting, Mary Cotton, Sarah Crouch and Ann Mather.

1. The minutes of last monthly meeting have been read.

Answers —

to —

The Queries —

Members —

Minutes —

— Tho Squire — 2. The case of Thomas Squire is continued.

— The case of — 3. The report of the Friends appointed to visit Isabella
— Isabella Nicholas — Nicholas, not being satisfactory to this meeting, Henry
— Withdrawn — Propsting is requested to inform her that her application
for membership cannot be entertained at present —
her case is therefore withdrawn.

— Subscriptions — 4. The sum of Ten shillings has now been entered as
monthly subscriptions.

Joseph Benson Mather
Clerk

Hobart Town Monthly meeting of Friends, held at their
meeting house Murray Street on the 11th day of Eighth
month 1853..

— Members — Present. George W. Walker, Robert Mather, Henry Propsting,
Joseph B. Mather, Esther Mather, Ann Propsting, Ann Mather
and Mary Cotton.

— Minutes — 1. The minutes of last monthly meeting have been read.

— Tho Squire — 2. The case of Thomas Squire is continued.

— Isabella Nicholas — 3. Henry Propsting has informed Isabella Nicholas that her
case has been withdrawn from our minutes.

— Subscriptions — 4. The sum of Ten shillings has now been entered as monthly
subscriptions.

Joseph Benson Mather
Clerk

Hobart Town monthly meeting of Friends held
at their meeting house Murray Street on the first day
of Ninth month 1853.

Present: George W. Walker, Robert Mather, Henry Propsting
Members — Joseph B. Mather, Esther Mather, Ann Mather, Ann Propsting
and Mary Cotton.

Minutes — 1. The minutes of last monthly meeting have been read.

Thos Squire — 2. The case of Thomas Squire is continued.

Burial note — 3. A Burial note has been brought in of the interment
of Josiah George Propsting who died at Melville Street
for — Hobart Town on the twenty second day of the eighth
month 1853, and was buried in Friends Burial ground
Josiah G. Propsting — Hobart Town on the twenty third day of the same month,
son of Henry Propsting of Hobart Town.

Disownment — 4. The Overseer having reported to this meeting that
George Nicholas a minor, who holds a Birthright mem-
bership in this meeting, has been guilty of repeated
acts of gross misconduct and immorality — and advice
of — having been unavailing in reclaiming him from his
George Nicholas — wicked course, the subject has been taken into ^{the} consideration
of a committee from this meeting, who have advised that
his name be withdrawn from our list of members. The
said George Nicholas is accordingly disowned as a member
of this meeting, and the ^{Clerk} ~~meeting~~ is directed to furnish
with a copy of this minute to Henry Propsting who is requested
to hand it to George Nicholas as soon as possible.

Subscription — 5. The sum of ten shillings has now been entered as
monthly subscriptions.

Joseph Benson Mather
Clerk.

Hobart Town monthly meeting of Friends held at
their meeting house Murray Street 6th of Tenth
month 1853.

—Members— Present— George W. Walker, Robert Mather, Henry Propsting
Joseph B. Mather, and Mary Cotton.

—Minutes— 1. The minutes of last monthly meeting have been read.

—Tho Squire— 2. The case of Thomas Squire is continued.

—Geo Nicholas— 3. Henry Propsting reports that he handed the minute of
the disownment to George Nicholas as directed in the 4th
minute of last month.

—Birth Notes— 4. Birth notes have been brought in for Emma Elizabeth
—Emma Eliz Mather— who was born in Liverpool Street Hobart Town on the
fourth day of the Fifth month 1853, daughter of Joseph
Benson Mather, and Anna Maria his wife.
daughters of -
J.B. & A.M. Mather

also

—Birth Notes— for "Margaret Bragg" who was born in Hampden road
—Margt Bragg Walker— Hobart Town, on the fifteenth day of the Ninth month 1853.
daughter of George Washington Walker and Sarah Benson
his wife.
which have been examined by this meeting and received
the signature of the clerk who is directed to register them.

—Subscriptions— 5. The sum of Ten shillings has now been entered as monthly
subscriptions.

Joseph Benson Mather
Clerk

Hobart Town monthly meeting of friends held at
their meeting house Murray Street 3rd of Eleventh
month 1853.

Members — Present — George W. Walker, Robert Mather, Henry Propsting,
Joseph B. Mather, Sarah B. Walker, Esther Mather, Sarah
Crouch, Ann Propsting, Ann Mather, and Mary E. Collins.

Minutes — 1. The minutes of last monthly meeting have been read.

Tho Squire — 2. The case of Thomas Squire is continued.

Answers to the Queries.

1st Meetings for worship and discipline are kept up but
they are not attended duly by all Friends nor is the time
appointed well observed: unbecoming behavior is avoided
excepting drowsiness.

2nd There is but little growth in the Truth amongst among
us.

3rd Friends are preserved in love towards one another,
with one case of exception, under care, if differences
arise, care is taken speedily to end them, and we trust
Friends are careful to avoid and discourage talking
and detraction.

Adjournment 3. This meeting adjourns to the conclusion of our meeting
for worship next fifth day.

Fifth day, 11th month 1853.

4 Met pursuant to adjournment.

4th query. Friends do endeavour by example & precept, to train
up their children, servants, and those under their care,
in a religious life and conversation consistent with their
Christian profession; there are some exceptions as to
plainness of speech, behavior and apparel.

Queries —

5. Query. We believe it is the care of all Friends to be frequent in reading the Holy Scriptures, and that those who have children, servants and others under their care endeavour to train them up in the practice of the religious duty.

6. Friends we believe are just in their dealings, and punctual in fulfilling their engagements.

7. We believe Friends do avoid all vain sports and places of diversion, gaming, all unnecessary frequenting of taverns and other public houses, excessive drinking and other intemperance.

8. Friends in this colony are not subject to any demands of an Ecclesiastical nature.

— Answers —
— to —
— The Queries —

9. Friends are faithful in our testimony against bearing arms. The other parts of the query has no present application to us.

10. We have no poor amongst us requiring the care of the monthly meeting, nor offsprings of such requiring the care of Friends in their education.

11. With one exception where timely interference has not been exercised. Care is taken when any thing appears to require it, that the rules of the discipline be timely and impartially put in practice.

12. There is a little appearance of conviction amongst us — but none have joined our Society on that ground since last year.

13. Friends are careful to admonish such as appear inclined to marry in a manner contrary to the rules of our Society and in due time to deal with such as persist in refusing to take counsel.

14. We have two friends in the station of overseers the rules respecting removals are duly observed; the general advices are read as directed, and the lists of our numbers are revised and corrected once in the year.

15. No appointment has been made this year to advise Friends to keep correct and clear accounts and carefully to inspect the state of their affairs once in the year - but a care exists in the minds of Friends in these respects.

Answers —

to —

The Queries — 16. Friends are clear of defrauding the Queen of her customs duties and excise and of using or dealing in goods suspected to be run.

17. We have no prosecutions or sufferings to record, due care is taken to register all marriages, births and burials; the title to our meeting house is not yet settled; that of our Burial ground is duly reserved and recorded, The other part of the query has no present application to us.

Subscriptions — 5 minutes. The sum of Thirteen shillings has now been entered as monthly subscriptions.

Joseph Benson Mather
Clerk

Hobart Town monthly meeting of Friends held at their Meeting house Murray Street, on the 1st day of Twelfth month 1853.

Members — Present George W. Walker, Robert Mather, Henry Propsting, Joseph B. Mather, Esther Mather, Sarah Crouch, Ann Mather, Ann Propsting and Mary Cotton.

Minutes — 1. The minutes of last monthly meeting have been read.

The Squire — 2. The case of Thomas Squire is continued.

— Exception to Query — 3, This meeting being informed that the exception
— Arranged — referred to in the answer to the 3rd query, has been
satisfactorily terminated, the clerk is directed to make
the needful alteration.

— Representative — 4. The Clerk is directed to furnish a copy of the answers
— to the Yearly Meetg — to the Queries to our friend Henry Propsting, who is
hereby appointed as our representative at our annual
meeting.

— Subscriptions — 5, The sum of Twelve shillings has now been entered
as monthly subscriptions.

Joseph Benson Mather
Clerk

Hobart Town monthly meeting of Friends held at
their meeting house Murray Street, 5th of 1st month
1854.

— Members — Present: Robert Lindsey, Frederick Mackie, George W. Walker,
Robert Mather, Henry Propsting, Joseph B. Mather,
Sarah B. Walker, Esther Mather and Ann Propsting.

— Minutes — 1, The minutes of last monthly meeting have been read.

— The Squire — 2, The case of Thomas Squire is withdrawn.

— Sarah Bell — 3, A communication having been received at this time
from Sarah Bell, George W. Walker, Henry Propsting
and Joseph B. Mather, are appointed to visit her
and report, to an adjournment of this meeting.

— Adjournment — 4, This Meeting is adjourned to the close of our meeting
for worship next fifth day.

1st Month 12th

5 met pursuant to adjournment