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war with a neighbouring nation upon its own soil, involving much suffering, bloodshed & crime, and tending to create and foster a military spirit among our fellow citizens, the query arising in our hearts, what is required of us under the circumstances; We were united in appointing a committee to draw up a memorial (to be presented to the next congress) setting forth our christian testimony against war and our earnest desires for the speedy restoration of peace; and Micajah Bates Bond Valentine Richard H. Thomas, Saml. Watlington Hugh Balderson, Joseph King Jr Nathaniel C. Gresham Francis J. King & Thomas Worthington are appointed to prepare one and present to an adjourned meeting in 12th month next.

The following communication from Virginia half year meeting was received & read

"To the meeting for Sufferings"

At a Half year meeting held at Richmond the 5th of the 10^{mo} 1846

The following report of distraint for master fines was received from the Lower Monthly Meeting.

Taken from William H. Hare, by W^m Cherry deputy of Hugh H. Kelly Sheriff of Nansemond Co \$1.50 for a demand of \$1.50

Taken from Robert Hare, by the same 10th of Bacon worth \$10.70^{cts} for a demand of \$6.00 for the years 42, 43, 44

Taken from Oliver Benford by the same 5th of Bacon,

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worth \$5.70 for a demand of \$3.75 for the years 43-44
Retained of Robert White by John W. Vestly deputy of Joseph B. Whitehead Sheriff of Isle of Wight Co \$3.00 for 41-42 the demand being \$3.00.

Retained of do by do deputy of James C. Jordan Sheriff \$3.00 for 43, 44 the demand being \$3.00

Which was directed to be forwarded to the meeting for Sufferings.

Nathaniel C. Gresham Clerk

Then adjourned to 7 o'clock on 7th day evening preceding Baltimore Quarterly Meeting in 12^{mo} next

At an adjourned meeting for Sufferings held in Baltimore the 17th of 12^{mo} 1846

Present 14 Members

The following minutes from our late Yearly Meeting was received and read and the documents therein referred to are directed to be placed among our books and papers viz "Under cover of an Epistle from our Brethren of Indiana Yearly Meeting, we received a tract published by them entitled "The unlawfulness of all wars," also a copy of a Memorial presented by them to the last Congress for the peaceable settlement of the then existing difficulties, between our Government & that of Great Britain. The meeting directed the Clerk to place them in the care of the meeting for Sufferings,