

knew not how it would end ; so I wrote his will, save only that part concerning his slave, and carrying it to his bed-side, read it to him ; and then told him in a friendly way, that I could not write any instruments by which my fellow-creatures were made slaves, without bringing trouble on my own mind : I let him know that I charged nothing for what I had done ; and desired to be excused from doing the other part in the way he proposed : we then had a serious conference on the subject ; at length, he agreeing to set her free, I finished his will.

Having found drawings in my mind to visit friends on Long-Island, after obtaining a certificate from our monthly-meeting, I set off on the twelfth day of the fifth month, in the year 1756. When I reached the island, I lodged the first night at the house of my dear friend Richard Hallet : the next day, being the first of the week, I was at the meeting in Newtown ; in which we experienced the renewed manifestations of the love of Jesus Christ, to the comfort of the honest-hearted. I went that night to Flushing ; and the next day, in company with my beloved friend Matthew Franklin, we crossed the ferry at White-Stone ; were at three meetings on the main, and then returned to the island ; where I spent the remainder of the week in visiting meetings. The Lord, I believe, hath a people in those parts, who are honestly inclined to serve him ; but many, I fear, are too much clogged with the things of this life, and do not come forward bearing