

1840. January 4th At an adjournment of a meeting appointed for the church, after some preliminary remarks upon the sin of slavery, it was “Resolved that we, as a branch of Christ’s Church, feel ourselves called upon to bear our united & solemn testimony against this sin in all its forms, feeling that in the neglect of this duty, we, at the last day, shall incur the displeasure of Him who has said “Inasmuch as ye did it not to the least of these my brethren, ye did it not to me” -& that it is a Christian duty which we owe to the oppressor they faithfully to reprove him for his heaven daring sin –

Resolved, that in view of the light that is shed upon the path of the Christian at the present day it is a sin for us a church, & we will not hold fellowship, or communion with any one who claims the right to, or hold his fellow beings as property. Resolved that we feel it to be a sin, and a reproach to the cause of Christ for any one bearing his name to connive at, or apologize for the sin of American slavery.”