

is remarked to have been taken within the limits of one of the quarters: the hour of meeting is said to have been mostly observed, and unbecoming behaviour when met generally avoided, except some instances of a drowsy disposition, mentioned in two of the reports, in one of which some care is remarked to have been extended in this respect.

2. A good degree of love towards each other is said to be generally maintained, tho' some obstruction to its prevalence is noted in one report, - which is said to be under care. Tale-bearing & detraction appear to have been generally discouraged, except that a deficiency in this respect is noted in two of the reports. Care appears to have been generally extended in regard to apparent differences.

3. A good degree of care appears to have prevailed in the minds of many friends to educate their children agreeably to the requisitions of this query; yet there is a general expression of more vigilant attention to these important particulars being necessary.

4. Some instances still remain of dealing in and distilling spirituous liquors, and also of using them to a greater extent than is consistent with the repeated advices of this meeting. Attending places of diversion and frequenting Taverns unnecessarily, appear to have been generally avoided, except a few instances which are said to have been under care. - Moderation and temperance, in other respects, mostly observed.

5. The necessities of the poor, and the circumstances of those who have appeared to require aid, have been generally attended to, and some care appears to have been extended in respect to the School-education of their children.

6. Friends appear to have been mostly careful to support our testimonies in regard to a hircing ministry, oaths, military services, &c. tho' some deficiencies with regard to military requisitions are noted in one report, which appear to have been attended to.

7. Friends appear to have been mostly careful in regard to the contents of this query - tho' some instances are noted in which more attention to these particulars would have been profitable, especially in regard to punctuality in complying with engagements.

8. Our Testimony against slavery appears to have been generally maintained, - some instances to the contrary, mentioned in one report, were under care. - Such black people as have had their freedom secured, and are under the care of friends have been pro-

vided for, as far as appears, and some attention paid to their school-education, - tho' more regard to the latter particular is acknowledged to be generally necessary.

9. Offenders have been dealt with nearly as queried; but more attention to the seasonable discharge of this duty, was noted in two reports, as being necessary.

Summary Answers to the Annual Queries.

1. Four ministers and five elders viz.

Mary Brooke, a minister, and a member of Indian Spring monthly meeting, departed this life the 25th of the 4th month last, aged about 73 years.

Mordecai Price, an elder, and member of Gunpowder monthly meeting the 9th of the 5th mo 1807, in the 77th year of his age.

Sarah Farguhar, a minister, and a member of Pipe-creek monthly meeting the 31st of the 3rd month last.

Miriam Hufsey and Ruth Bane, elders and members of Harrington monthly meeting, the former, on the 24th of the 9th month 1807, and the latter the 22nd of the 2nd month last.

Martha Branson, a minister, and a member of Hopewell monthly meeting on the 10th of the 12th month 1807, in the 92nd year of her age.

Elizabeth Moore, an elder, and member of Fairfax monthly meeting, the 17th of the 9th month 1807, aged 73 years.

Rachel Hollingsworth, an elder and member of Crooked-run monthly meeting, the 8th of the 10th mo 1806 in the 82nd year of her age.

Joseph Dew, a minister, and a member of Short creek monthly meeting the 11th of the 1st month last aged about 60 years.

2. Three. Monthly, and two preparative meetings viz.

A monthly meeting at Plainfield, called by that name, and composed of Plainfield and Flushing preparative meetings (branches of Concord) held alternately, on the fourth seventh day in the month.

A monthly meeting at Still Water, called by that name, & composed of the members of that preparative meeting (also a branch of Concord) held the third day after Plainfield monthly meeting.

A monthly meeting at Plymouth, composed of Plymouth & Crooked-run preparative meetings, branches of Short Creek monthly meeting, and denominated Plymouth monthly meeting held the third seventh day in the month.