

9th Endeavours appear to have been used to deal with offenders, nearly answerable to this query.

Answers to the Annual Queries.

1st Jane Wilson, an Elder, and member of Baltimore Monthly Meeting, for the Eastern district, departed this life on the 14th of the 5th Month last aged 60 years.

Abel Thomas, a Minister, and member of Monahan Monthly Meeting, departed this life on the 28th of the 3rd Month last.

Rebecca M. Millan, an Elder and member of Warrington Monthly Meeting, departed this life, on the 14th of the 3rd Month last, aged about 45 years.

Ann Foster, an Elder, and member of Warrington Monthly Meeting, departed this life on the 8th day of the 4th Month last in the 60th year of her age.

Mona Taylor, an Elder, and member of Howell Monthly Meeting, departed this life on the 18th of the 12th Month last, in the 38th year of her age.

2nd A. Monthly Meeting by the name of "Little Falls" and a meeting for worship by the name of the "Forrest Meeting", being a branch of the above Monthly meeting, and of Baltimore Quarter.

3rd Schools for the Education of our youth, under the tuition of teachers in membership with us, appear to be encouraged by Friends in most of their settlements.

4th The Queries appear to have been read & answered, nearly as required.

In taking a view of the state of Society, as brought up in the reports, in the answers to the Queries, the minds of many brethren were deeply exercised on account of the deficiencies which still prevail within our borders, amongst which none is calculated to subject us to greater danger than the neglect of the attendance of divine worship. A solicitude was felt that our beloved members may endeavour to cultivate an engagement of mind to keep alive their spiritual faculties, as the best means to remedy this neglect of duty. A lively concern was also felt and expressed that Friends of

all classes may be excited to more diligence in reading the holy Scriptures, and that a preparation of heart may be sought for to qualify them for this interesting duty. When we consider the fixed and lasting impressions made on the minds of youth through this medium, & oftentimes when very young, is it not worth an enquiry how far the almost total disuse of this invaluable book in our schools, may have had a pernicious effect on society.

The very important advantages which result from true obedience, in early life, conforming our wills to the divine will, and carefully attending to the precepts of instruction as we pass along through life, it was believed would lead us as a society to a greater circumspection in life and conduct, to more moderation in our worldly pursuits, to a retrenchment in our common expenditures, and what is perhaps of the greatest importance, make us valuable examples to the young & rising generation, who were excited to a consideration of the many advantages that would be derived by them in so circumscribing their views in the pursuits of life, as to be content with small means. Friends were renewedly excited to the Christian duty of private admonition in the spirit of love, from a belief that if a right qualification was sincerely sought after, and this duty to our brethren who may miss their way, honestly discharged, that the benefits arising to society therefrom would be of unfeakable interest.

The Committee appointed last year to attend our Quarterly Meetings in order to promote the establishment of an institution for the guarded education of our youth, under the general superintendency of this meeting, brought in the following report: Viz.

To the Yearly Meeting now sitting.

"The committee last year appointed upon the interesting subject of establishing an Institution for the education of our youth, report,

"That in compliance with the views of the Yearly Meeting, some of our number in company with a committee of Women friends attended the Quarterly meetings, and endeavoured to impress upon the minds of Friends the importance of the object contemplated. The concern obtained so much place in each Quarter as to lead to the opening of subscriptions for raising money, the result of which appears to be as follows.

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