

or brother of a former husband. It was concluded to ~~the~~ refer the subject to the consideration of the following Friends, who were desired to report their judgment thereon to a future sitting, to wit Isaac Wilson, Thomas Moore, David Preston, William Matthews (of Dover), Roger Brooke, William Broter, John Talbot, George Wilson, Amos Farguhar, Joel Garretson, Jesse Wickerham, Solomon Shepard, John Jannoy, Thomas Wright, Isaac Nichols, William McPherson, Jacob Mendenhall, Reuben Schooley, Thomas Furnace, Joseph Balance, John Chew Thomas, William Preston, Silas Warner & Jeremiah Brown.

Adjourned to 9 o'clock tomorrow morning.

16th of the Month and 3^d of the week

Near the time adjourned to friends assembled

The answers contained in the reports from our several Quarterly Meetings to the Queries were read and the following summaries agreed upon as containing nearly the substance thereof viz^t

Ans^r. 1 All our meetings have been held and attended by most of our members on first day mornings, other meetings both for worship and discipline appear to have been neglected by many, on account of which one report mentions that some care has been extended. Unbecoming behaviour has been generally avoided, except some instances of sleeping; the hour appears to have been mostly observed.

Ans^r. 2 A good degree of love is maintained by many friends, tale bearing and detraction are generally discouraged, and when differences have appeared care has been extended.

Ans^r. 3 A considerable number of Friends endeavour by ~~precept~~ ^{example} and precept to educate their children and those under their care in plainness of speech, deportment and apparel, to guard them against reading pernicious books, and from the corrupt conversation of the world, and to encourage them to read the holy scriptures; but deficiencies are apparent in many of our members in the several particulars of this Query.

Ans^r. 4 Friends are clear of imbruing Spirituous Liquors and nearly clear of distilling them but four instances are reported of our Members

being concerned in vending them, and also several instances of using them unnecessarily - frequenting of Taverns and places of diversions mostly avoided - moderation and temperance generally observed.

Ans^r. 5th The necessities of the poor are generally attended to and the School education of their Children promoted.

Ans^r. 6th Our Testimony appears to be generally maintained against a hireling ministry, oaths, Military services, chandestine Trade, prize goods and lotteries; when deviations have appeared in any of these particulars, care has been extended.

Ans^r. 7 Most friends appear careful to live within the bounds of their circumstances, to avoid involving themselves in business beyond their abilities to manage and to observe justice in dealing and punctuality in complying with their engagements; but one report acknowledges that more care in the latter case is necessary - when deficiencies have been apparent some care has generally been extended.

Ans^r. 8th Our Testimony against Slavery appears to be maintained; friends are concerned to provide for those of the African race in their families who have had their freedom secured; and some attention is paid to their School learning.

Ans^r. 9th - A good degree of care is taken to deal with offenders agreeably to the tenor of this Query.

Answers to the Annual Queries

Ans^r. 1 Samuel Thomas a minister and member of Sandy Spring Preparative and Indian Spring Monthly Meeting departed this life the 1st of the 10th month 1820 aged about 55 years.

Goldsmith Chandler an elder and member of Hopewell monthly and centre Preparative ^{and particular} Meeting departed this life on the 14th day of the 3rd month 1821.

Henry Rooder an Elder and member of Goose Creek Monthly and South fork particular meeting departed this life the 13th of the 11th month last.

Jacob Cowly and Elder and member of Huntingdon particular and annual monthly meeting departed this life the 5th of the 6th month last aged 82 years.

Ann Love an Elder & member of York monthly ^{particular} Meeting, departed this life the 14th of the 8th month 1820 in the 60th year of her age.

Margaret Elgar a minister and member of York Monthly & particular Meeting departed this life the 29th of the 3rd month last in the 82 year of her age.