

John Lee, an Elder and member of Middle Creek Particular and Hopewell monthly meeting departed this life on the 28th day of the 8th month 1824 in the 57th year of his age.

Ann Moore a minister and member of Fairfax Particular and Monthly meeting departed this life on the 4th day of the 12th month 1824 in the 50th year of her age.

Richard H Little an Elder and member of Alexandria monthly and Particular meeting departed this life on the 25th of the 2nd month 1825 in the 37th year of his age.

Elizabeth Pugh a minister and member of East Nottingham Particular and monthly meeting departed this life on the 18th of the 7th month 1825 in the 60th year of her age.

Ruth Carter an Elder and member of East Land Particular and Little Britain monthly meeting departed this life on the 21st of the 6th month 1825 in the 70th year of her age.

Benjamin Bond an Elder and member of Fawn Particular and Deer Creek monthly meeting departed this life the 30th of the 7th month 1825 in the 83rd year of his age.

11th None.

12th Friends appear to be generally careful to place their children for tuition under the care of teachers in membership with us.

Whilst engaged in the consideration of the state of society under a view of the various and important duties, which as responsible beings devolve upon us that of attending our religious meetings and the keeping them up in the authority and under the influence of the same power by which they

were first instituted was seen to be of vital interest to us not only individually but as a society and that when assembled for Divine worship it ought to be our greatest concern earnestly to seek after that quiet and calming influence which would lead us to a due sense of the awfulness of this service, and enable us availingly to supplicate the fountain of Everlasting mercy, for the continued extensions of his preserving goodness. There is too often ^{manifest} a want of solemnity in our meetings - a want of a true sense of that hungering and thirsting after righteousness which would not fail to obtain the blessing. Were we on these occasions ^{sincerely and} honestly exercised there would be less of a dependance upon an outward ministry, and our cry would be teach me O Lord thyself - feed me from thy own blessed table. Being thus gathered and sustained there would none ever be able to scatter or divide us, for then indeed would be felt that unity of the spirit which is the bond of peace and by fulfilling the first and great commandment thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart and with all thy soul, with all thy mind and with all thy strength we should most assuredly be enabled to fulfil the second which is like unto it thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself thus would that peace which passeth all understanding abound amongst us and we become the followers of a meek and crucified Saviour fulfilling his injunction that we love one another: - May we therefore in all humility and under a deep sense of our situation bow before the author of all our sure and tender mercies earnestly craving the renewed extensions of his gracious and protecting goodness towards us which alone can gather and sustain us in true