

It appearing that by the present arrangement of the Meeting for sufferings it is the opinion of that Meeting, that no organization of it can regularly take place until the 3^d Month succeeding the time of holding the Yearly Meeting: the Committee now appointed to propose suitable Friends to compose that meeting were also desired to take that subject into their consideration and Report thereon to a future sitting.

The following Friends were appointed to examine and adjust the Treasurers Accounts ascertain what sum in their judgment it may be necessary to raise for the ensuing year, and report to a future sitting, to wit William Thomas, Thomas L. Reese, Abel Russell, Silas Hibbert, Isaac Walker Aaron Hibbert, Samuel Carter and James Coale.

Then adjourned to 10 O'clock tomorrow morning.

3^d day of the week and 26th of the Month.

Pursuant to adjournment, friends again assembled.

The Meeting having entered into the consideration of the state of Society, and having proceeded as far as to the 8th Query inclusive adjourned to 3 O'clock this afternoon.

According to adjournment Friends again assembled.

The consideration of the State of Society being resumed and the Meeting having proceeded through the Queries, the following summary was agreed upon as containing nearly the substance of the answers brought up viz.

Ans^r 1- All our Meetings for worship and discipline (except the Cliffs from which no account has been received, one preparative meeting a branch of Center Monthly Meeting and two preparative Meetings at Berkeley) have been held, and generally attended on first day mornings, other meetings often small, on account of which one report mentions that some care has been extended. Unbecoming behavior in meetings mostly avoided & the hour nearly observed.

Ans^r 2nd Friends generally maintain Love towards each other as becomes our Christian Profession; tale bearing and detraction are mostly discouraged and when differences have appeared care has generally been used to end them.

Ans^r 3rd Many Friends endeavor by example and precept to educate their Children and those under their care in plainness of speech, deportment, and apparel, to guard them from reading pernicious books, and from the corrupt conversation of the world, and also to encourage them to read the Holy Scriptures yet a more general care in several of these important duties is acknowledged to be necessary.

Ans^r 4th Our Testimony against distilled spiritous liquors is maintained by many of our members but some not appearing sensible of its importance continue in the unnecessary use of them and hand them out to others: a few cases are also mentioned of some of our members who deal in them, part of which are under care. One account mentions that frequenting Taverns and places of diversion are not enough guarded against on which account some care has been extended. Moderation and temperance are mostly observed.

Ans^r 5th The necessities of the poor are inspected and relieved and the school education of their children is attended to.

Ans^r 6th Our Testimony against a hireling Ministry, oaths, Military services, clandestine Trade, prize goods and lotteries appears to be generally maintained.

Ans^r 7th Friends appear to be mostly careful to live within the Bounds of their circumstances, to avoid involving themselves in business beyond their ability to manage and to observe justice and punctuality in their dealings. Where any have given reasonable grounds for fear in these respects, care has been extended to them.

Ans^r 8th Our Testimony against Slavery appears to be generally maintained