

to manage. They appear to be mostly just in their dealings and are generally punctual in complying with their engagements. When deficiencies have appeared care has been extended.

Answer 8.th Our Testimony against Slavery appears to be maintained. Those of the African race in friends' ^{families} are provided for and some care is taken to instruct them in useful learning.

Answer 9.th Endeavours are used to deal with offenders as required.

Ans.^r 10.th Sarah Branson an elder and Member of Hopewell preparative and particular meeting, departed this life the 21st day of the 2nd Month 1832 in the 77th year of her age.

Robert Walton a minister and member of Pipe Creek monthly and particular meeting, departed this life the 19th of the 1st Month 1832 in the 86th year of his age.

John Love an Elder and member of York Monthly and particular meeting departed this life on the 11th day of the 1st Month 1832 in the 82nd year of his age.

Thomas Wetherald a minister and member of York Monthly and particular Meeting departed this life on the 1st day of the 5th Month 1832 in the 81st year of his age.

James Trimble an elder and member of Nottingham particular and Monthly Meeting, departed this life the 5th day of the 12th Month 1831 in the 76th year of his age.

Elizabeth Harlan an Elder and member of Eastland particular and Little Britain Monthly Meeting departed this life the 22nd of the 2nd Month 1832 in 74th of her age.

Samuel Goale an Elder and member of Deer Creek particular & Monthly meeting departed this life the 31st of the 1st Month 1832 in the 79th year of his age.

Ans.^r 11th none

Answer 12.th Friends are careful as far as practicable to place their children for tuition under the care of teachers in membership with us.

Upon reviewing the state of our Society as reported in the answers to the Queries, the minds of many friends were deeply exercised on account of the deficiency which continues throughout almost every part of this Yearly Meeting in the attendance of our religious Meetings, and a renewed concern was felt, that this affecting manifestation of weakness amongst us, might not discourage the livingly concerned of our members, but rather that it might have a tendency to animate them to a steadfast and faithful discharge of this pre-eminent duty, for however we may lament that there are so many who are regardless of its obligations we have the consoling promise of the Divine Master, that when we are gathered in his name, whether the number be small or large, he is amongst us.

How animating and encouraging is this assurance! and how should it stimulate us to diligence! What more could we reasonably desire than the prospect of meeting with the beloved of Souls on these occasions and thus by the renewal of our strength from season to season be enabled to persevere in a faithful dedication, through all the varied conflicts and trials of this scene of probation. The attendance of Meetings for Divine Worship is a testimony for which our dedicated forefathers suffered deeply. Though dragged from their places of meeting, cruelly persecuted by the way imprisoned and even put to death, yet those who had it in their power still assembled to discharge this, in their view, all important duty. How reasonable is it then that we who profess to build upon the same Rock - to profit by the inspirations of the same Holy Spirit, should be faithful to what we thus acknowledge to be both a reasonable