

Pursuant 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 sent up from the Quarterly Meetings, viz:

Answers to the Queries.

1st. answer. All our meetings for worship and discipline have been held, except in a few instances mentioned in two of the reports. They have been attended on 1st. day mornings by most of their members, but those held in the afternoon, or other days of the week, and for discipline continued to be neglected by many. Unbecoming behaviour generally avoided, and the hour of meeting nearly observed.

2^d. answer. Friends generally appear to maintain love towards each other, becoming our christian profession. Tale-bearing and detraction mostly discouraged, and when differences appear as endeavours are used to end them.

3^d. answer. Some friends endeavour by 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 corrupt conversation, and to encourage them to read the Holy Scriptures; yet a more general care in these several particulars would be profitable.

4th. answer. Our testimony against distilled spirituous liquors is generally maintained, agreeably to our discipline; one report mentions that some continue to use them in times of harvest and on other occasions.

Frequenting taverns, and attending places of diversion mostly avoided, moderation and temperance generally observed.

5th. answer. The necessities of the poor are inspected and relieved, they are advised and assisted in such employments as they are capable of, and due care is taken to promote the school education of their children.

6th. answer. As far as appears friends generally maintain a faithful testimony in relation to the several subjects mentioned in this query.

7th. answer. Friends are generally careful to live within the bounds of their circumstances, and to avoid involving themselves in business beyond their abilities to manage. They are mostly just in their dealings, and punctual in complying with their engagements, and when any give reasonable grounds for fear in these respects, care is extended to them.

8th. answer. Friends mostly bear a faithful testimony against slavery, those of the African race under their care are suitably provided for, and some care is taken to instruct them in useful learning.

9th. answer. Endeavours are used to deal with offenders in the manner queried for, except that in some instances it is not done as timely as might be best.

10th. answer. Hannah Harlow, an elder and member of Little Falls monthly and particular meeting, departed this life on the 5th. day of 5th. month last, in the 55th. year of her age.

Martha Stockney, an elder and member of Hopewell monthly and particular meeting, departed this life on the 3^d. day