

for, and a concern is felt to instruct them in useful learning.

9th. answer. - Care is mostly taken to deal with offenders in the manner quered for.

10th. answer. - Jane Hibbard an elder belonging to Pipe Creek particular meeting, departed this life the 22^d day of the 3^d month 1835, aged 92 years & 8 months.

Martha Hibbard an elder & member of Middle Creek Preparative & Hopewell monthly meeting, departed this life the 4th of the 11 mo. 1834 in the 63^d year of her age.

Ann Brown an elder & member of Goose Creek, preparative & monthly meeting, departed this life the 5th of the 9 mo. 1834, in the 64 year of her age.

11th. answer. None.

12th. answer. Friends are generally careful when practicable to place their children for tuition under the care of suitable teachers in membership with us.

On entering into the consideration of the state of society, as exhibited by the answers to the Queries, the minds of friends were introduced into a deep and solemn exercise on the important subjects brought into view.

The attendance of our religious meetings claimed the consideration of friends and all were encouraged to faithfulness even under the most difficult circumstances, "Where two or three are met together in my name" is the promise of the Divine Master, "there am I in the midst of them," and what stronger inducement can any

desire to call them together than the prospect of such a meeting.

We feel encouraged in believing that our members generally still maintain a good measure of that love for each other, which was recommended by the blessed Jesus as the sweet mark of discipleship, "By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one for another." The only true foundation for this brotherly affection is the love of God shed abroad in the heart; as this comes to prevail and have the dominion in us it will cast out that selfish nature which is the root of jealousy & dissension, and will expand our affections so that we can entertain that love for the brethren, and all mankind which is consistent with the spirit of the Gospel.

The guarded religious education of our children claimed the serious attention of this meeting, and much solicitude was expressed that this interesting portion of society may be preserved from the many snares that beset them, and that they may come under the government of Christ the Prince of Peace and the only source of true and lasting happiness. This ought to be our constant aim, and more especially that we may all be brought into conformity with the divine will.

When the government becomes established in our hearts, we shall know by happy experience, that his kingdom is within us, and that it consists of Righteousness, Peace & Joy in