

and care is mostly taken to instruct them in useful learning.

9th. Answer.

Care is taken to deal with offenders in the manner required for, except that in some cases more timely attention might have been profitable.

10th. Answer.

Elizabeth Thomas, a Minister & Member of Galt. Monthly & Particular Meeting for the Western District, departed this life on the 18th of 10th mo. 1837, in the 68th year of her age.

John Livingston, a Minister & Member of Galt. Monthly & Particular Meeting for the Western District, departed this life on the 27th of the 2^d month 1838, in about the 73rd yr. of his age.

Allen Hibbard, an Elder and Member of Pipes Creek Particular Meeting, departed this life on the 28th of the 7^{mo}. 1838, aged near 67 years. { Sarah Taylor, an Elder and Member of Pipes Creek Monthly Meeting, departed this life on the 4th of 1st. month 1838, in the 84th year of her age. }

Hannah Wright, an Elder and Member of the Upper Ridge Particular, and Hopewell Monthly Meeting, departed this life on the 24th of the 1st month 1838, in the 75th year of her age.

Levi Smith an Elder and Member of Hopewell Particular and Monthly Meeting, departed this life on the 24th of the 2^d month 1838, in the 75th year of his age.

Sarah Groves an Elder and Member of Eastland, Particular and Little Britain Monthly Meeting, departed this life on the 29th of the 9th month 1836, in the 62nd year of her age.

11th. Answer.

None.

12th. Answer.

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

On reviewing the state of society, as brought up in the answers to the Queries, the meeting was introduced into a solemn and memorable exercise on account of the continuing deficiencies, on the part of many of our members, in the important duty of assembling for Divine worship. Among the causes which lead to a neglect of this service, an inordinate love of the things of this world, and of its perishable enjoyments, was believed to exercise a prominent influence, for it remains to be an unchangeable truth, that, in proportion as our affections are fixed on the things of time and sense, the love of God will be found to wax cold in us, and we shall become indifferent to the things that concern our eternal welfare, and even those who attend meetings sufficiently under the government of the Divine principle, it would so leave our minds into its own blessed nature, that our assemblies would more frequently be seasons of refreshment and instruction, while those who are remote might be reached by the heavenly influence. Love is the fulfilment of the law — the sum of all the virtues, and would, by its prevalence in the human mind, destroy all that is evil, and convert "the kingdoms of this world into the kingdom of God and of his Christ".

Greater diligence in the religious instruction of ^{our} offspring, by a more frequent reading of the Scriptures of Truth in our families, accompanied by intervals of solemn silence, and such instruction as we may be qualified to afford, was affectionately —