

care has generally been extended.

3rd. Answer: Many friends endeavor by example and precept, to educate their children and those under their care, in plainness of speech, deportment and apparel, and concerned to guard them against reading pernicious books, and from the corrupt conversation of the world, and also to encourage them to read the Holy Scriptures; yet deficiencies are acknowledged in the several particulars of this query.

4th. Answer: Our testimony against the unnecessary use of spirituous liquors appears to be generally maintained agreeably to our Discipline. Frequenting taverns and attending places of diversion, as far as appears, are generally avoided, and moderation and temperance mostly observed.

5th. Answer: The necessities of the poor, and the circumstances of those who appear likely to require aid, are inspected and relieved, and care has been extended in advising and assisting them in such employments as they are capable of, and the school education of their children is provided for.

6th. answer. Our testimonies against a hireling ministry, Oaths, Military services, clandestine trade, prize goods and lotteries, appear to be generally maintained. One report however mentions two instances of individuals being engaged in military services who are at present beyond the reach of friends.

7th. answer: Friends appear generally careful to live within the bounds of their circumstances, and to avoid involving themselves in business beyond their ability to

manage, mostly just in their dealings and punctual in complying with their engagements.

8th. answer: Our testimony in relation to Slavery appears to be generally maintained, those of the African race in friends families are suitably provided for, and some care is taken to instruct them in useful learning.

9th. answer: Care is generally taken to deal with known offenders in conformity with the query.

10th. answer: Mary Matthews, a minister and member of Gunpowder Monthly Meeting, departed this life the 29th of the 1st. month, 1847., in the 68th. year of her age.

Sarah S. Brown, a minister and member of Goose-brook preparative and monthly meeting, departed this life on the 26th. of the 9th. month last. in the 46th. year of her age.

Elizabeth Tucker, an Elder and Member of Horrest-particular, and Little Falls monthly meeting, departed this life the 20th. of the 5th. month, 1847, in the 84th year of her age.

Benjamin Fell, an Elder and Member of Little Britain monthly and Eastland particular meeting, departed this life the 20th. of 5th. month, 1847, in the 74th year of his age.

11th. answer: None.

12th. answer: An increasing concern is observed among friends, as far as practicable, to place their children for tuition under the care of teachers in membership with us. -

During the exercises of the meeting upon the State of Society, friends minds became deeply concerned in relation to the importance of our testimony upon the subject of war, and it was the conclusion