

1874 limits of Nottingham Quarter. In the mid-week meetings at Little Edd, within the same Quarterly Meeting. They have been attended on First Day mornings by Friends generally; one Report says well attended on First Days.

Mid-week Meetings and those for Discipline have been neglected by many of the members; unbecoming behavior therein mostly avoided, and the hour of Meeting nearly observed by most Friends.

Second

Friends ^{generally} appear to maintain love towards each other, in a good degree becoming our Christian profession - one Report excepts "as manifested by the neglect of our religious Meetings". Tale-bearing and detraction are mostly discouraged, and when differences arise, care is taken to end them.

Third

There appears to be a concern on the part of many Friends to educate their children and those under their care in plainness of speech, deportment and apparel, to guard them against pernicious reading and from corrupt conversation, and to encourage them to read the Holy Scriptures; but nearly all the Reports acknowledge that more care in these important particulars would be profitable.

Fourth

Our testimony against the use of intoxicating liquors appears to be generally maintained. The unnecessary frequenting of taverns is avoided, except one case, reported under care, not so clear of attending places of diversion. Moderation and Temperance are observed on most occasions.

Fifth

The necessities of the poor and those requiring aid, appear to have been inspected and relief afforded.

Sixth

Friends generally appear to maintain our testimony against a hiring ministry, raised military services, clandestine trade, prize goods, and lotteries. One Report excepts some instances of marriages accomplished by the aid of a paid minister, and the payment by some of a military tax, and another Report acknowledges that greater care as regards the deceptive influence of lotteries would be desirable.

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Seventh

Friends appear to be careful to live within the bounds of their circumstances, and to avoid involving themselves in business beyond their ability to manage, generally just in their dealing and mostly punctual in complying with their engagements. Two of the Reports say where there are grounds for fear in these respects, care is extended.

Eighth

Friends appear clear as regards Slavery. Those of the African race under their care are provided for, and instructed in useful learning.

Ninth

There is generally a better deal with known offenders seasonably and impartially, though one Report acknowledges that weakness in this respect is manifest. The spirit of meanness and love appears to be evinced to those who will not be reclaimed.

Tenth

Sarah Sney, an Elder and member of East Nottingham Particular and Nottingham Monthly Meetings, departed this life the 26th day of the 10th month, 1873, in the 90th year of her age.

Hannah V. Kirk, an Elder, and member of Eastland Particular and Little Britain Monthly Meeting, departed this life the 16th day of the 11th month, 1873, in the 80th year of her age.

Walter J. Gutter, an Elder, and Member of Eastland Particular ^{Little Britain} Monthly Meeting, departed this life the 24th day of 11th month 1874, in the 66th year of his age.

Mary E. Stubbs, an Elder, and Member of Little Britain Particular and Monthly Meeting, departed this life the 21st day of the 4th month 1874, in the 72nd year of her age.

Walter Hay, an Elder, and Member of West Branch Particular and Monthly Meeting, departed this life the 27th day of 11th Mo. 1874, in the 70th year of his age.

Heahlon Schofield, and Elder and Member of Prairie Grove Particular and Monthly Meeting, departed this life the 17th day of 1st month 1874, in the 86th year of his age.

