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State
Society

16 The meeting was engaged in the further consideration of the State of Society, and proceeded therein as far as the Fifth Query inclusive.

Minutes
Yearly
Meeting

17 The Epistle from Illinois Yearly Meeting was read to our comfort.

Then adjourned to 3 o'clock tomorrow afternoon!

29th of the month and 11th of week

Pursuant to adjournment Friends assembled.

18 The remaining Queries were read, and the following summary was approved as comprising the substance of those received from the Quarterly Meetings, viz:

First

Our Meetings for Worship and Discipline have all been held, except one Preparative Meeting within the limits of Baltimore, four Meetings for Worship and one Preparative Meeting within the limits of Warrenton Quarter, and four Meetings for Worship, within the verge of Nottingham Quarter. The meetings have been attended on First Days by Friends generally. Those held near the middle of the week and for Discipline are much neglected by many of our members.

Answers
to
Queries.

Friends are mostly clear of unbecoming behavior, and generally careful to observe the hour of meeting.

Second

Friends generally maintain love towards each other, becoming our Christian Profession. Tale bearing and detraction are discouraged. When differences arise, endeavors are used to end them.

Third

Many Friends endeavor, by example and precept, to educate their children and those under their care in plainness of speech, deportment and apparel, to guard them from reading pernicious books and corrupt conversation, and encourage them to read the

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Holy Scriptures. A more general care in these respects, it is acknowledged, would be profitable.

Fourth

Our testimony against intoxicating liquors appears to be generally maintained. The unnecessary frequenting of taverns is ^{mostly} avoided, yet all are clear of attending places of diversion, on most occasions, moderation and temperance are observed. One report states that several of their members deal in intoxicating liquors, which cases are under care.

Fifth

The necessities of the poor have been inspected and relief afforded, and care generally taken to provide for the school education of their children.

Sixth

Answers
to
Queries
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The important testimonies contained in this Query appear to be generally maintained, though some deficiency in regard to our testimony against a hireling ministry is acknowledged in one of the reports.

Seventh

Friends generally appear to be careful to live within the bounds of their circumstances, and to avoid involving themselves in business beyond their ability to manage. They are generally just in their dealings, and endeavor to be punctual in complying with their engagements. When any have given reasonable grounds for fear in these respects, care has been extended.

Eighth

Friends generally are careful to bear a testimony against oppression in its various forms. Children under their care are suitably provided for, and instructed in useful learning.

Ninth

Care is mostly taken to deal with offenders in accordance with our Discipline, although delays sometimes occur.