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First

Our meetings for Worship and Discipline have all been attended, except two Preparative and six mid-week meetings for worship, within the limits of Warrington Quarter; six mid-week meetings for worship, and a number at Washington City, (during the rebuilding of the Meeting House) within the verge of Fairfax Quarter. Three Preparative and one mid-week meeting for worship, at Eastland, within the verge of Nottingham Quarter and one Meeting for worship, at Centre.

They have been attended on First Days by our members generally, those held near the middle of the week and for Discipline are much neglected. Unbecoming behavior, when assembled, mostly avoided, and the hour of meeting observed generally.

Answers

Second.

to Most Friends maintain love towards each other, as becomes our Christian profession. Talebearing and detraction generally discouraged. And when differences arise, and become known, care is taken to end them. Two of the reports, however acknowledge a sorrowful exception, and lack of that love queried after, on the part of some members.

Third

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

But a more general care in these important particulars, it is acknowledged would be profitable.

Fourth.

Our testimony against intoxicating liquors appears to be generally maintained. The unnecessary frequenting of taverns is avoided. Not all are clear of attending places of diversion. Moderation and Temperance in other respects are observed. One of the Reports makes an exception, with regard to the sale of intoxicating drinks, which, however, is under care.

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Fifth.

The necessities of the poor are inspected and relieved, and care is taken to provide for the school education of their children.

Sixth.

Our testimony, in regard to the several important particulars mentioned in this query, appears to be generally maintained.

Seventh.

Most Friends are 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 grounds for fear in these respects, care has been extended.

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Friends 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 generally taken to deal with offenders in the manner and spirit queried after, though delays sometimes occur.

Tenth.

Mary Smith, an Elder, and member of Pipe Creek Particular and Monthly Meeting, departed this life the 22^d of the ninth month 1879, in the 64th year of her age.

Nannah Wilson, an Elder, and member of Centre Particular and Monthly Meeting, departed this life the 12th day of the Twelfth month, 1879, in the 86th year of her age.

Thomas Wilson, an Elder and Member of Centre Particular and Monthly Meeting, departed this life the 14th day of the Twelfth month, 1879, in the 84th year of his age.