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Third Day afternoon, 10th Month, 30th.

About the time adjourned to, Friends gathered.

18. The Meeting was engaged in the consideration of the state of Society, as presented by the Answers to the Queries received from the Quarterly Meetings, and proceeded therein as far as the Fourth Query, inclusive, during which much excellent counsel was handed forth, tending to encourage all to greater faithfulness in the maintenance of our well known testimonies.

Then adjourned until tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock to meet in open session.

Fourth Day afternoon, 31st of the Month.

Pursuant to adjournment, Friends assembled in joint session.

19. Minutes of Rep's Com. The minutes of the Representative Committee were read, and the proceedings of that Body approved. The Meeting then separated, and the proposition to refer the subjects of Temperance, Arbitration, Prison Reform and other humanitarian work, that has claimed the attention of that body, to the Yearly Meeting, was, on consideration, united with, and the following committee was appointed to confer with a similar committee of Women Friends, to take the whole subject into consideration, and bring forward to a future sitting the names of suitable Friends of both sexes, to serve as a committee to labor in the cause of Temperance and other reformatory work, that will tend to elevate or relieve suffering humanity, viz.

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Francis Thomas,
Edwin Blackburn,
Thomas Kemp,
Samuel M. Price,
Isaac S. Russell,
Israel Garretson,
Job. Hibbard,
Josiah Griest,
Philip Warner,
Joseph C. Stubbs,

George B. Passmore,
James K. Brown,
Elkanah Faucett,
Thomas E. Taylor,
Robert F. Roberts,
Obed. J. Pierpont,
Joseph M. Spencer,
Hiram Blackburn,
Nathan Moore, and
Elias Blackburn,

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The Meeting was engaged in the consideration of the remaining Queries, with the answers thereto, and the following summaries adopted, viz.

First.

Our Meetings for Worship and Discipline have all been held, except the First Day Meetings of Alexandria, within the limits of Fairfax Quarter; nineteen Meetings for Worship, and four Preparative Meetings in some of the smaller branches. They have been generally attended on First Days by most of our members; other Meetings continue to be much neglected; unbecoming behavior therein is generally avoided. The hour of meeting is nearly observed.

Second.

Most Friends appear to maintain love towards each other, becoming our Christian Profession. Tale bearing and detraction are generally discouraged, and when differences have become known, care has been extended.