

1889 Committee to visit subordinate meetings, etc. Their action is united with by this meeting.
Emily B. Carby added to Committee to visit Subordinate Meetings.

28 The consideration of the condition of our Society was again resumed and proceeded with from the Eighth Query to the Twelfth inclusive. Summary answers were adopted as embracing as nearly as may be - from the reports received at this from our Constituent Quarterly Meetings - our moral and Spiritual Condition as a body of professing Christian people.

Much excellent counsel was handed forth during the consideration of this portion of our proceedings and we were urged to more diligence and greater faithfulness in all the various relations of life, religious as well as social.

Summary Answers to Queries.

First Answer.

All of our meetings for Worship and Discipline appear to have been held the past year except two for Worship within the limits of Cente, two within the limits of Fairfax, one in Warrington and one in Nottingham Quarter. One report shows an increase of attendance of our meetings. Unbecoming behavior is avoided when assembled, and the hour for meeting observed upon most occasions.

Second Answer.

Christian love becoming the profession that we make, appears to be generally maintained amongst our members. They are mostly clear of tale bearing and detraction. When differences arise, care is taken to end them.

Third Answer.

We believe most of our members endeavor to educate their children in simplicity of speech and life. Children in Friends' families seem to be provided for. Care is mostly exercised in the selection of reading matter and in conversation.

The report shows that our children are generally encouraged to read the Holy Scriptures.

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Fourth Answer.

Our testimony against the use of intoxicating liquors is maintained generally, though Baltimore Monthly Meeting informed that a few members continue the sale of intoxicants in connection with their business.

The unnecessary frequenting of taverns is avoided and they are mostly clear of attending places of diversion. Moderation and temperance are generally observed.

Some of our members use tobacco, but the general use and the cultivation of it are discouraged, except in a few cases.

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Fifth Answer.

We believe care is extended when any of our members require aid.

Sixth Answer.

Our testimony in favor of a free Gospel Ministry is generally maintained.

Seventh Answer.

Most Friends appear to be careful to live in accordance with the requirements of this Query. One report makes an abatement in the matter of extending care in case of failures.

Eighth Answer.

Our testimony appears to be borne against the several subjects named in this Query; also against the various forms of oppression.

Ninth Answer.

Care is generally taken to deal with offender as queried after, though two of the reports make an abatement in this respect.

Tenth Answer.

Care is taken to keep a correct record of births, deaths, and membership.

Eleventh Answer.

No new Meetings have been settled none discontinued. The following changes are reported from Baltimore, viz: - Monthly and all Midweek Meetings in the Western District are now