

1892 is mostly avoided and the hour for assembling nearly observed.

2nd Answer. Love in a good degree appears to exist amongst us, becoming our Christian profession. We seem to be clear of tale bearing and detraction and no differences are reported.

3rd Answer. Care seems to be taken to educate our children in plainness of speech, deportment, and apparel. Though one report confesses a deficiency in the requirements of this portion of the Query. Endeavors are generally used to guard them against pernicious reading and corrupt conversation. The reading of the Scriptures of Truth is encouraged, but the efforts of parents in this respect are not as earnest in some quarters, as the Query would seem to demand.

4th Answer. Our testimony against Intoxicating Liquors is generally well maintained. Our members seem to be clear of the unnecessary frequenting of taverns or places where liquor is sold and they are generally clear of attending places of objectionable diversion. Moderation and Temperance are mostly observed. Our members are reported as not cultivating Tobacco, except in Nottingham Quarter. Some Friends use it, but its use is generally discouraged.

5th. When any of our members are known to require pecuniary aid, relief is extended to them.

6th. Our testimony in favor of a free Gospel Ministry, resting upon living qualification alone, is shown to be well maintained.

7th. We believe our members are mostly just in their dealings and punctual in complying with engagements and are careful to live within the bounds of their circumstances. Care would seem to be extended to any who may fail to meet their business obligations.

8th. The reports indicate our clearness from the violation of our testimonies against Lotteries, Oaths, Military Services, etc., and also, with the exception of one meeting, clear of all forms of oppression.

9th. A Christian care appears to be extended to all known offenders, and they are dealt with in a spirit of meekness and love.

10th. Due care is taken to keep a regular record of births, deaths, and membership, although Centre's report is not full in this respect.

11th. No new Meetings have been settled the past year. Baltimore reports as follows: The Eastern District Mid-week Meeting has been discontinued since Third Month last, and the Preparative Meeting is now held in joint Session on Firstday after Meeting, preceding the Monthly Meeting. The time for holding the Preparative Meeting of Ministers and Elders at Park Avenue Meeting House, has been changed from three to seven o'clock P.M., the same day of Monthly Meeting.

The hour for holding Forest Meeting - Little Falls Monthly Meeting - has been changed from ten o'clock to ten thirty A.M.

Sandy Spring reports that the Monthly Meeting previous to the Quarterly Meeting is now held on Firstday preceding the Quarterly Meeting, at the close of the Meeting for worship.

Fairfax reports: The hour for holding the Quarterly Meeting at Goose Creek has been changed from eleven to ten o'clock A.M. on Secondday.

The time for holding Alexandria Monthly Meeting has been changed to the Firstday after first Secondday in the month, at the close of the Meeting for Worship.

Nottingham reports: The mid-week Meeting at Green Creek has been discontinued and the Preparative Meeting is held at the close of the first Firstday Meeting in each month.