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Job Hilberd, J. Wilson Moore, Mary E. Moore,
Charles F. Tyson, William E. Branson, Elizabeth Mc. Kozar,
Jesse Hoge, William H. Moore, Rebecca G. Hollingsworth,
James H. Brown, Mary C. Blackburn, Mary T. Brown,
Lewis Gillingham, Isabella Tyson, Sarah J. Price,
Thomas O. Matthews, Mary H. May, Ellen H. Smith,
George Mc. Lamb, Grace Ann King, Sarah T. Miller,
John J. Cornell, Rebecca J. Broomell, Harriet C. Hilberd.

The clerks are directed to hand to the clerk of the Representative Committee a certified copy of this minute, also the names of those Friends sent forward from the Monthly Meetings, to serve upon this Committee.

29 The Meeting at this time resumed the consideration of the Queries with the answers to them as forwarded from our Quarterly Meetings, as the unfinished business from the session of Thursday morning. The remaining Queries were now read and summary answers adopted, showing our condition as a religious body, at this time.

Summa-ry of Answers to the Queries and the summary answers as adopted.

First Query.—Are all meetings for Worship and Discipline duly attended? Do Friends avoid unbecoming behavior thereon? And is the hour of meeting observed?

First Answer.—All of our meetings for Worship and Discipline have been held, except one near the middle of the week at East Nottingham, in Nottingham Quarter; one for Worship at West Branch, and one at Centre, "on account of unavoidable circumstances," both in Centre Quarter. Both of the Preparative Meetings, comprising Baltimore Monthly Meeting, report an increased attendance on Firstday. Two of the reports state that meetings near the middle of the week are not well attended. Unbecoming behavior when assembled is avoided, and the hour for convening is generally observed.

Second Query.—Do Friends maintain love toward each other becoming our Christian profession? Are tale-bearing and detraction discouraged? And when differences arise, are endeavors used specially to end them?

1894 Second Answer.—A good degree of love, becoming our Christian profession, appears to be maintained amongst us. Tale-bearing and detraction are discouraged, and proper care seems to be taken to end differences when any appear between our members.

Third Query.—Do Friends endeavor by example and precept to educate their children in plainness of speech, deportment and apparel? And are all other children in Friends' families suitably provided for? Do they guard them against pernicious reading and from corrupt conversation? And are they encouraged frequently to read the Holy Scriptures?

Third Answer.—Care is reported to be generally exercised, as far as practicable, to observe the requirements of this Query in the matter of plainness of speech, deportment and apparel; also to guard our children against the reading of pernicious literature and from corrupt conversation, and they are encouraged in the frequent reading of the Scriptures of Truth. Other children in our families appear to be provided for.

Fourth Query.—Is our testimony against Intoxicating Liquors maintained agreeably to our Discipline? Do Friends avoid frequenting taverns, or attending places of diversion? And do they observe moderation and temperance on all occasions? Are they careful to discourage the cultivation and use of tobacco?

Fourth Answer.—Our testimony against the sale and use of intoxicating liquors is nearly maintained. The unnecessary frequenting of taverns, and attending places of harmful diversion, is mostly avoided. Moderation and temperance on nearly all occasions, are well observed. Our reports show that in three of our Quarterly Meetings no tobacco is cultivated by our members; the other two are not clear in this respect. Its use and cultivation, however, are discouraged by nearly all of our members.

Fifth Query.—Are the circumstances of those of our members who may appear likely to require aid inspected, and is relief afforded?

Fifth Answer.—When any of our members are known to require aid, relief is extended to them.