

The Clerk is directed to send it in our report according to the Subject claiming the attention of this meeting, it was concluded to refer it to the deliberate consideration of the following friends, in connection with a committee of women friends viz: John Griffith, Thomas Scott, Isaac Brooks, John P. Balderston, David Trice, Joseph Balanip, Eliza Cook, and Thomas Worthington, who are desired to report to a future sitting.

Then adjourned to 10 o'clock to-morrow morning
30th of the mo. 8th of the week.
According to adjournment friends assembled.

Joseph Townsend, on behalf of the representatives reported that they had again conferred together and had agreed to propose Hugh Balderston to serve the Meeting as Clerk and Joseph King Jr as Assistant Clerk: which was approved and they were appointed to the service.

The meeting having been engaged in the consideration of the State of Society within our limits as exhibited in the answers to the queries brought up in reports from the Quarterly Meetings, and having proceeded therein under a feeling of much concern and exercise, as far as to the 4th query inclusive, The Meeting adjourned to 3 o'clock this afternoon.

Near the time adjourned to friends assembled.

The meeting having resumed the consideration of the State of Society, and having proceeded through the queries and answers, the following Summary answers were collected from those now received from the Quarterly Meetings. During the course of our deliberations thereon, the meeting was renewedly introduced into fervent living exercise on account of the deficiencies still apparent among us, and much tender counsel and admonition, were imparted in the love of the Gospel, to exhort Friends to more faithfulness in the discharge of the various Christian duties devolving on them in relation to the maintenance of our religious principles and testimonies, and Samuel Carey, John P. Balderston, Samuel Worthington, and Richard H. Thomas were appointed to prepare an essay or a Minute or Epistle addressed to our Subordinate Meetings embracing the exercises of the Meeting on these Subjects and produce it to a future sitting.

First Answer. All our Meetings for worship and discipline have been held: those on first day mornings are generally attended by most of our members, but other meetings are frequently small; unbecoming behaviour therein is mostly avoided, and the hour

of Meeting is nearly observed.

Second Answer. Friends generally maintain love towards each other becoming our Christian Profession; tale bearing and detraction are discouraged and when differences arise endeavours are used to end them.

Third Answer. Most friends appear careful by example and precept to educate their children and those under their care in plainness of speech, deportment, and apparel; to guard them against reading pernicious books, and from the corrupt conversation of the world; also to encourage them frequently to read the Holy Scriptures, but an increased care in these respects it is acknowledged would be profitable.

Fourth Answer. Our testimony against distilled spirits is generally maintained; frequenting taverns and attending places of diversion mostly avoided and moderation and temperance are generally observed.

Fifth Answer. The necessities of the Poor are inspected and when occasion requires relief is afforded.

Sixth Answer. Our testimony against an hiring ministry, bath, military services, clandestine trade, prize goods and lotteries appears to be maintained.

Seventh Answer. Friends appear careful to live within the bounds of their circumstances and to avoid involving themselves in business beyond their ability to manage, to be just in their dealings and generally punctual in complying with their engagements.

Eighth Answer. Friends appear careful to bear a testimony against slavery; and we believe those of the African race under their care are suitably provided for and some care is taken to instruct them in useful learning.

Ninth Answer. Endeavours are mostly used to deal with offenders in the manner recommended, with some exceptions excepted in one report, wherein it appears little or no care has been extended by two of the monthly meetings since last year, towards those who have gone off in the separations.

Tenth Answer. Nicholas Popplein, an Elder and member of Baltimore Monthly Meeting and Preparative Meeting for the Eastern and Western Districts departed this life the 5th of the 12th mo. last in the 64th year of his age.

Lusannah Seidler, a Minister and member of Baltimore Monthly and Preparative Meetings for the Eastern,