

come to be more signally evident and sensibly felt - and its prevalence over the assembly have an awakening and gathering effect upon those who might be with us. - The first and great commandment being thus observed, the performance of the second, which is like unto it would follow as a necessary fruit; viz. love to our neighbour, love to our brethren and sisters - as that love which is the badge of discipleship, and answers to our Christian profession. As our hearts become imbued with this love, we should under its constraining and preparing power be drawn and qualified to administer suitable encouragement and admonition to our fellow-members when exercised on their behalf.

Much solicitude was felt for the right education of our dear youth and a tender concern evinced that parents might seek for divine help to train them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord. - An exercise of spirit on the part of fathers and mothers, and a deep dwelling under this exercise - keeping close to it, under an abiding sense of their responsibility, is called for in respect to this matter. For every child we shall have to give an account to God. - How necessary then to watch over them with diligent and untiring care, taking them to meeting when practicable, laboring to keep them within the enclosure where heavenly good is felt. - We should dig about them and prune them, taking them by the hand, and saying to them, "Come and let us go up to the Mountain of the Lord, to the House of the God of Jacob, and he will teach us of his ways, and we will walk in his paths." A concern was renewedly experienced with regard to their mental culture likewise; that this should be under the instruction and influence of Teachers who are members of our Religious Society. This was deemed to be of great importance for the Children's sake, for their comfort, for their well being, and for the strengthening of them in the adoption and practice of those testimonies which distinguish us as a people, and are considered to have their foundation in the principles of the Gospel. Parents were affectionately entreated to keep under an exercise in reference to this subject.

- 1st Answer - All our meetings for worship & discipline have been held & generally well attended except mid-week meetings & the afternoon meeting at Baltimore - unbecoming behavior generally avoided & the hymn sung.
- 2nd Friends generally maintain love towards each other - talebearing & detraction are discouraged & endeavors used to end differences when they appear.
- 3rd Most friends endeavor to educate their children & those under their care in plainness of speech deportment & apparel - to guard them against reading pernicious books & from the corrupt conversation of the world & to encourage the reading of the Holy Scriptures. More care however it is manifest is called for in some of these particulars.

4th Answer - Care is generally maintained by friends to comply with the requisitions of this group.

5th The necessities of the poor are inspected & relieved & the education of their children provided for.

6th Our testimony against a healing ministry, oaths, military services, clandestine trade, prize goods & lotteries appears to be maintained, except some cases are mentioned of attendance on a healing ministry.

7th As far as appears friends live within the bounds of their circumstances & avoid involving themselves in business beyond their ability to manage, as just in their dealings & generally punctual in complying with their engagements.

8th Friends are mostly careful to bear a testimony against slavery, those of the African race under their direction are suitably provided for & some care taken to instruct them in useful learning.

9th Care is mostly taken to deal with offenders nearly as queried - deficiencies however are especially noted in this duty.

10th Samuel Lovett a member & Elder of Caroline particular & Cedar Creek M^{ts} departed this life on the 13th of the 8th Month last in the 75th year of his age.

Jesse Scott an Elder & member of Guilford M^{ts} & Prop^s Meetings departed this life the 27th of the 11th Month 1845, in the 81st year of his age.

11th None

12th Mostly as far as practicable friends place their children for tuition under the charge of teachers in membership with us.

And then adjourned to 3 o'clock this afternoon.

The Meeting again assembled.

A pamphlet published by friends of the London Yearly Meeting, entitled "An appeal on the iniquity of Slavery & the Slave Trade" having been brought before the notice of the meeting, as having been especially sent to us for perusal the same was read, bringing forcibly into view the situation & condition of the African race held in bondage - the enormities of that system of oppression & among which so holds them, as well as other sentiments calculated to increase & deepen our interest in the subject of Slavery. The Clerk is desired to hand it to the Clerk of Women's Meeting for their perusal - Our Meeting for Sufferings is requested to keep alive to this question in all its bearings, & so far as she may may often do what in them lies to promote the desired end of African emancipation.

A Minute from our brethren of North Carolina Yearly Meeting, containing a proposition for us to change, if we suitably saw, the time of holding Baltimore