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4. There does not appear to be any impurity of spirituous liquors among us; the some instances of vending are noted, and likewise of having Thrift & Grain distilled. — Many Friends are careful to avoid and to discourage the use of the article, — but there are others who have not been prevailed upon to decline it. — Frequenting of Taverns unnecessarily, and attending at places of Division mostly avoided; — and Moderation & Temperance in other respects generally observed; — but care is said to have been taken (—) on account of some Deficiencies relative to the latter particulars of this Query —

5. — The necessities of the Poor, and the circumstances of such as <sup>have</sup> appeared likely to require aid have been attended to; — and some care taken to assist them in Business and to promote the School education of their Children. —

The Reports from the Quarters in answer to the Quarters having engaged the solid attention of Friends as far as the fifth Query the meeting adjourned to three o'clock this afternoon. —

Pursuant to adjournment Friends again met.

6<sup>th</sup> Answer. Friends are generally careful to maintain our Testimony against a hireling Ministry, Oaths, military Services, clandestine trades prize Games and Lotteries; but some deficiency in regard to a hireling Ministry is noted in one report; — in three others deviations from our Testimony in regard to military requisitions are said to be under care. —

7. Most Friends are in a good degree careful to live within the bounds of their circumstances, and to avoid involving them

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in Business beyond their ability to manage; — also, to be just in their dealings and punctual in complying with their Engagements; — but want of greater punctuality in some instances and reasonable grounds for fear in others have rendered some extension of care necessary. —

8. — Our Testimony against the unjust practice of holding Slaves appears to be supported; — but one account states that a few instances of hiring them are under care. — A good degree of care is mostly taken to provide for those of the African race, living in Friends families who have had their freedom secured, — and also some care to instruct them in useful Learning. —

9. Known Offenders are generally dealt with in a good degree answerable to the requisitions of the Query. —

Answers to the Annual Queries. —

1. In answer to the first annual Query accounts were received of the depolation of <sup>three</sup> Ministers and seven Elders, viz<sup>t</sup>

✓ Elizabeth Hopkins, an elder, and member of Indian Spring Monthly meeting the 4<sup>th</sup> of the 11<sup>th</sup> M<sup>o</sup> last in the 59<sup>th</sup> year of her age.

✓ Rebecca Williams, an Elder, and member of Baltimore Mo. meeting for the Eastern District the 24<sup>th</sup> of the 10<sup>th</sup> M<sup>o</sup> last aged 76 years.

✓ Herman Updegraff, an Elder, and member of York M<sup>o</sup> meeting the 20<sup>th</sup> of the 5<sup>th</sup> Month last about the 73<sup>rd</sup> year of his age. —

✓ Joseph Edgar, a Minister, and member also of York monthly meeting the 13<sup>th</sup> of the 7<sup>th</sup> month last in the 81<sup>st</sup> year of his age. —