

At Baltimore Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Hopewell 9th Mo. 10th 1883.

By reports from the Monthly Meetings the following Friends were the Representatives, viz. from { John N. Parker, Caleb Winslow, Baltimore { John C. Thomas & James C. Thomas Hopewell - Lewis N. Hoge & John D. Wright, Deer Creek - George L. Scott, Wm A. Cook & Joseph Edge, Patuxent - Saml. R. Neave & Enoch Jones, who were present, except two.

All the Queries were read in this Meeting with the answers from the Monthly Meetings, & the following summary answers adopted to be forwarded in our report to the Yearly Meeting, & to attend therewith as our Representatives we have appointed James C. Thomas, John Griffith, Joseph Edge, Saml. R. Neave, Jas. E. Underhill, Geo. L. Scott, Wm J. Schofield & Lewis N. Hoge, who are directed to report to our next meeting.

Ans. 1st All of our Meetings for worship & discipline have been held, except one in the country omitted on account of storm. Those on first-day mornings are duly and punctually attended by our members generally. Those in the evening & in the middle of the week, though the attendance has increased, are still neglected by some. Unbecoming behavior is avoided, except some drowsiness mentioned in our report.

Ans. 2nd We believe Friends maintain love towards each other, becoming our Christian profession; tale-bearing & detraction are discouraged; no differences known amongst us.

Ans. 3. Most Friends endeavor by example & precept to bring up their children & those under their care in the nurture & admonition of the Lord, and in that plainness & simplicity of life which the gospel enjoins. They endeavor to guard them against reading pernicious books, and from the corrupt conversation of the world, and encourage them frequently to read the Holy Scriptures.

Ans. 4. Our testimony to a free gospel ministry is generally maintained agreeably to our discipline.

Ans. 5. With a few exceptions mentioned in our report, our testimony against the use of all intoxicating drinks is maintained, and drinking houses, & frivolous & demoralizing places of diversion are avoided.

Ans. 6. The necessities of the poor are inspected, and relief & advice are afforded.

Ans. 7. Friends children are placed at school, & when practicable in schools under the care of Friends.

Ans. 8. Friends maintain a testimony against Oaths, Military Services, Clandestine trade, Prize Goods, Lotteries & Slavery.

Ans. 9. Friends appear to be careful to live within the bounds of their circumstances, and to avoid involving themselves in business beyond their ability to manage, or engaging in hazardous or speculative trade. We believe they are just in their dealings and punctual in complying with their engagements.

Ans. 10. Care is generally taken to deal with offenders seasonably, & when done it is impartial and in the spirit of meekness & love.