

9mo. Ans. 5. With a few exceptions in one report, Friends have maintained a faithful testimony against all intoxicating drinks, & have avoided drinking houses, & frivolous & demoralizing places of diversion.

Ans. 6. The necessities of the poor have been inspected, and advice & relief have been extended when thought necessary.

Ans. 7. Friends children have been placed in schools, & when practicable in schools under the care of Friends.

Ans. 8. Friends generally maintain a faithful testimony against oaths, military services, clandestine trade, prize goods, lotteries and slavery.

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

Ans. 10. Care has generally been taken to deal with offenders seasonably & impartially and in the spirit of meekness & love.

Ans. 11. None.

Ans. 12. None.

Pataxent Monthly Meeting having requested permission to ~~discontinue~~ their mid-week meeting, except on Monthly Meeting days, this Meeting is united in granting their request. Our Clerks are directed to give that Meeting a copy of this Minute.

Then concluded

John C. Thomas Clerk

At Baltimore Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Baltimore 12th Mo. 21. 1855,

By reports from the Monthly Meetings the following Friends were the Representatives viz, from { Jos. P. Elliott, James W. Tyson
Baltimore { Rich. H. Thomas & Francis White
Hopewell - Lewis H. Hoge & John Griffith.
Deer Creek - Edw. S. Edge & Geo. L. Scott.
Pataxent - Enoch Jones.

who were present, except three.

The Representatives to our late Yearly Meeting reported that they all attended.

The following Minute of the Yearly Meeting was read. The committee appointed to take into consideration the propriety of changing the territorial boundary of Hopewell Monthly Meeting were united in proposing that hereafter the Blue Ridge mountains shall be the boundary on one side, & the members living east of that line shall be attached to Baltimore Monthly Meeting. The report was accepted by the Yearly Meeting, & the members living in Loudoun Co, Va. being east of the Blue Ridge, were attached to Baltimore Monthly Meeting.

The following communication from Baltimore Monthly Meeting was received and the establishment of a Meeting for Worship at Lincoln, Va. was united with by this Meeting.

"By a decision of our late Yearly Meeting Friends in Loudoun Co, Va. having been joined to our Monthly Meeting, and an application