

been held except 8 omitted during the winter months on account of severe weather. During the past quarter the meetings on 1st day have been well attended except in the cities, where, though small owing to the absence from home of many of the members, the meetings have been seasons of blessing. The mid-week meetings & meetings for Discipline have been neglected by many. Some want of punctuality in several meetings. Unbecoming behavior avoided.

Ans. 2. We believe that love in accordance with our Christian profession generally prevails. Tale bearing and detraction are discouraged, and when differences arise endeavors are used to speedily end them.

Ans. 3. Most Friends have a concern for the proper training of their children and endeavor to bring them up in ^{the} nurture and admonition of the Lord. Care is exercised in regard to their reading and their associates, and efforts are made to inculcate a love for the Holy Scriptures.

Ans. 4. We believe that our testimony to a free gospel ministry is maintained.

Ans. 5. Most Friends maintain our testimony

against the use of intoxicating liquors and avoid drinking houses and improper amusements. 4 Monthly Meetings reports are clear of exceptions.

Ans. 6. The necessities of the poor and the circumstances of those who appear likely to require aid are inspected and as far as practicable relieved. Advice is also extended.

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

Ans. 8. As far as known, Friends maintain these testimonies with an exception mentioned in one report.

Ans. 9. Friends generally are careful in these particulars. Where fear has arisen, care has been extended.

Ans. 10. When occasion arises, care is generally taken to deal with offenders as queried after.

Ans. 11. Deaths. Mary S. Edge, an Elder of Deer Creek Monthly Meeting, died 1st Mo. 1, 1899, aged 80 yrs. 17 days. Sarah E. Jolliffe an Elder of Hopewell Monthly Meeting, 3^d Mo. 23, 1899, aged 78 yrs. Elders appointed. Thos. H. Levering & Gubielina D. Warder appointed by Washington Monthly