

detraction are discouraged. When differences arise, endeavours are made speedily to end them.

Aug 3. Most Friends endeavor by example & precept to bring up their children & those under their care in the nurture & admonition of the Lord, & in that plainness & simplicity which the gospel requires. They counsel them against pernicious reading, & corrupt associations, & encourage them to read the Holy Scriptures.

Aug 4. We believe Friends maintain our testimony to a free gospel ministry agreeable to our discipline.

Aug 5. Most Friends maintain our testimony against all intoxicating liquors & all frivolous & demoralizing places of diversion.

Aug 6. The necessities of the poor & the circumstances of those requiring aid are inspected & relief extended when deemed necessary.

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

Aug 8. Most Friends maintain a faithful testimony against oaths, military service, clandestine trade, prize goods, lotteries & money.

Aug 9. As far as is known Friends live within the bounds of their circumstances & avoid involving themselves in business beyond their ability to manage, or engaging in improperly speculative trade. We believe they are just in their dealings & generally punctual in complying with their engagements & when any give reasonable grounds for fear in these respects, care is extended to them.

Our report says that more care in regard to this Query is desirable.

Aug 10. Care is taken to deal with offenders reasonably & impartially & in the spirit of meekness & love.

Aug 11. James Carey Thomas, a member of Baltimore Monthly Meeting, died 11th Month 9th 1897, in the 65th year of his age. Joseph P. Elliott, an elder of Baltimore Monthly Meeting, died 1st Month 14th 1898, in 65th year of his age.