

To Baltimore Quarterly Meeting in unity with the
Ancient Yearly Meetings of Friends, to be held in Baltimore
on the 17th of the 9th mo 1840

Dear friends

The Decrees were read in this Meeting and
the following answers adopted to wit:

1st Ans: All our Meetings for worship and discipline have
been held, and generally attended by most of our Members.
Unbecoming behavior thereon mostly avoided, except some
instances of sleeping: the hour of meeting nearly observed.

2nd Ans: Friends appear to cherish love towards each other
becoming our profession: tale bearing and detraction are
discouraged: No apparent differences amongst us.

3rd Ans: Some Friends, by example and precept, endeavour
to train their children, in plainness of speech behaviour & apparel.
Care is taken to guard them against reading pernicious books
and from the corrupt conversation of the world, and they
are encouraged frequently to read the Holy Scriptures.

4th Ans: Our Testimony against distilled spirituous liquors
appears to be maintained: Friends avoid frequenting taverns
and places of diversion: Moderation and temperance generally
observed.

5th Ans: There are none of our Members requiring pecuniary aid.

6th Ans: Our Testimony against a hireling Ministry, Oaths, Military
services; clandestine trade, prize goods and Lotteries, appears to
be maintained.

7th Friends endeavour to live within the bounds of their cir-
cumstances, to avoid involving themselves in business beyond
their ability to manage; and no complaint in relation to
their dealings, and their fulfilling of contracts.

8th Ans: We believe a faithful testimony against Slavery is
maintained. and those of the African race under the direction
of Friends are suitably provided for, and some care is taken
to instruct them in useful learning.

9th Ans: Some endeavours are used to deal with offenders
seasonably and impartially, and to exhort to those who will
not be reclaimed, the spirit of meekness before they are
disowned. 10th Ans: None 11th Ans: None.

12th Ans: Friends manifest some care to place their children under
the tuition of Teachers in membership within, when practicable.