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Then adjourned to ten O'clock to-morrow morning. —

~~Third of the week~~ 13<sup>th</sup> of the Month & 3<sup>rd</sup> of the Week.

Pursuant to adjournment Friends assembled. —

Written accounts received from the Quarterly Meetings in answer to the Queries were in substance as follows:

- 1<sup>st</sup> Answer. — All our Meetings, except one, have been held, and those on first days, (with some exception in relation to afternoon Meetings) attended by Friends generally; — but a remissness in the attendance of Week-day Meetings, and for Discipline, is noted in nearly all the Reports; and four of them mention an extension of some bare on account of Deficiencies in these respects. — Unbecoming Behaviour when met mostly abated; — and the Hour of Meeting nearly observed. —
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Most Friends are in a good degree careful to maintain Love to each other as becomes our Christian profession. — Tale-bearing & Detraction are generally discouraged, and care taken to end apparent Differences. —
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Many Friends are in a good degree careful to educate their children and those under their care in plainness of Speech Deportment and apparel; — to guard them against reading pernicious Books and the corrupt Conversation of the World, — and to encourage their reading the Holy Scriptures; — but acknowledgments are contained in several of the Reports that more care is necessary in these important particulars. —
- 4<sup>th</sup> Friends appear to be clear of importing, and in a good degree clear of the unnecessary Use of spirituous Liquors; — though some exceptions are noted in respect to ~~importing~~ distilling from fruit, and of vending. — Generally clear of

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importing Liquors unnecessarily, and of attending at places of Diversion. — Moderation and Temperance mostly observed. —

The important Subject of the State of Society having engaged the attention of the Meeting as far as to the fourth Query, — then adjourned to three O'clock this afternoon. —

When Friends again met pursuant to adjournment.

The interesting Considerations relative to Spirituous Liquors having been weightily deliberated on, it was concluded to refer the important Subject to a Committee, to report to a future sitting: The following Friends were appointed to the Service viz<sup>t</sup> — Samuel Thomas, Samuel Lukens, William Brown, Samuel Garretson, Joseph Grist, Joel Wood, — John Williams, John W. Pherson, Ruben Schooley, Jacob Griffith, Joseph John, David Grace, Joseph Talbot, William Wood, Joseph Steen, Thomas Griffith, Samuel Davis, Nathan Galbraith, John Stall, Mordecai Walker, Emmon Williams.

5<sup>th</sup> Answer. — The necessities of the Poor, and the Circumstances of those who have appeared to require aid, have generally received the attention of Friends agreeably to this Query. —

6<sup>th</sup> Most Friends have been careful to maintain our Testimonies against a hireling Ministry, Oaths, Military Services, clandestine Trade, prize Money, and Lotteries; — yet two accounts mention some Deficiencies in regard to our Testimony against Military Services, — which, in one of them, were stated to be under care. —

7<sup>th</sup> — Most Friends appear to have been careful to live within the bounds of their circumstances, and to avoid involving themselves in Business beyond their ability to manage. — They are just in their Dealings, and punctual in complying with their Engagements; — yet an increase of care in the last respect is acknowledged to be necessary in some places. —