

Bleu-river Quarterly meeting 7th mo 26th 1828

The representatives from the monthly meetings are Benjamine Parker Solomon Stout John S Cawner Nathan Musgrave Jacob Jones Joseph Willard John Doan Joel Dixon John H Bray Samuel Owen Matthew Stanley Joseph Jefsop John Kenworthy Levi Cook Isaac Hawkins Henry Hanaday Samuel Holladay Jonathan Hayworth James Hayworth Philip Sylar James Cox Warner Davis and Nathaniel Newlin.

The Representatives from all the monthly meetings except Lickcreek (from which no account hath been Recieved) being called were all present except two for one of whose absence a reason was given.

Joel Dixon is appointed to request Matthew Stanley to render a reason for his absence to next Quarterly meeting.

Isaac Parker William Hobbs and Joseph Arnold are appointed to request Lick creek monthly meeting to inform next Quarterly meeting the reason why the reports from that meeting have not been forwarded at this time and report their care to next Quarterly meeting.

The Queries were read and the answers thereto from all the monthly meeting's represented at this time

William Hobbs Enoch Thompson Isaac Parker and Nathan Trueblood are appointed to assist the clerk in comprising Summary answers including the substance of those from Lick-creek monthly meeting which are as follows

Answer 1st All our meetings for worship and discipline are kept up and attended by most friends Some care has been extended to those who are deficient unbecoming behavior guarded against the Hour nearly observed

Ans. 2nd Love subsists in a good degree as far as appears talebearing and the like discouraged and care taken to end apparent differences except Fairfield mentions a lack of love wherein care has been taken and Lick Creek mentions love is maintained by all friends who have not separated themselves from society and those who have are under notice

Ans. 3rd Many friends do by example and precept endeavor to educate their Children and those under their care in plainnefs of speech deportment and apparel and guard them against reading pernicious books and from corrupt conversation and to encourage them in reading the Holy scriptures though differences appear in some in drefs and addrefs as well as an undue indulgence in reading pernicious Books and a neglect of reading the scriptures which we believe is the cause of so great a departure from the Christian Religion as held by our society wherein care has been taken

Ans. 4th For aught appears friends are clear of importing vending distilling and the unnecefsary use of spirrituous liquors of frequenting Taverns or places of diversion and observe moderation and temperance except one instance of vending and a few of the unnecefsary use of spirrituous liquors wherein care has been taken.

Ans. 5th The necessities of the poor are relieved and care taken to promote the school education of their children

Ans. 6th For aught appears friends bear a testimony against a hireling ministry oaths military services clandestine trade prize goods and lotteries except one monthly meeting mentions some being concerned in military service which are under care

Ans. 7th We believe friends are careful to live within the bounds of their circumstances and to avoid involving themselves in business beyond their abilities to manage and for aught appears they are just in their dealings and punctual in complying with their engagements

Ans. 8th Friends are careful to bear a testimony against Slavery and people of colour under our care are provided for in a suitable manner.

Ans. 9th Care is taken to deal with offenders as Queried.

Annual Answers

Ans. 1st A Monthly meeting known by the name of Bloomfield formerly Elevalus preparative meeting; a meeting for worship and a preparative by the name of Easton within the limits of Fairfield monthly meeting a meeting for worship known by the name of Ellwood within the limits of Vermilion Monthly meeting

Ans. 2nd schools are encouraged under the tuition of teachers in membership with us.

Ans. 3rd The Queries are answered as directed

Jonathan Lindley an Elder and member of Lickcreek monthly meeting deceased the 5th day of the 4th mo 1828 aged seventy years nine months and twenty one days. Owen Lindley an Elder and member of Lickcreek monthly meeting Deceased the 3rd day of the 6th mo 1828 aged Sixty five years lacking six days.

By the reports from the monthly meetings it appears the subject of spirituous Liquors has been attended to agreeably to the direction of our last Yearly meeting and altho some friends amongst us do not bear as faithful a testimony against the commerce Distillation and unnecessary use of that article as is desired yet we are encouraged in believing that our labours on that subject have been beneficial and that this important part of our testimony is not losing any ground

Agreeably to the direction of our last Yearly meeting friends extended labour with those that have departed from plans in dress and address as far as way opened and it is believed that our testimony on that subject is gaining some ground

William Hobbs Henry Wilson John S Chawner James Cox Joel Dixon Richard Hayworth Enoch Thompson James White Samuel Holady Joseph Jefsop and Nathaniel Newland are appointed to attend the service of our ensuing Yearly meeting with the foregoing Answers and return an account of all that may be given them in charge to our next Quarterly meeting

No reason having been rendered for the absence of Joseph Thompson at our last Quarterly meeting Jonathan Hayworth is appointed to inform him that a reason will be expected at Quarterly meeting and report his care to next meeting

The committee appointed to attend at Bleuriver in order to receive the Books and papers belonging to said meeting report they have attended thereto and all the records of the meeting except those of marriage certificates and some Books which had been bequeathed to the meeting all of which were demanded by the committee

Lickcreek monthly meeting is directed to such further exertions as it may deem proper in order to obtain the records of marriage certificates as it appears necessary that a true Record of all marriages should be preserved

The committee appointed and continued to visit the monthly meetings produced the following report. We the committee appointed and continued to visit the monthly meetings report that we have complied therewith to pretty good satisfaction we believe our testimony in regard to plainness is gaining some ground but we are united in the sentiment that Honey Creek monthly meeting needs further care signed on behalf of the committee

William Hobbs
Sarah White.

which being united with the proposition to extend further care to Honey creek monthly meeting claiming the attention of this meeting the following named friends were appointed to unite with a like committee of women friends in visiting and assisting that meeting and the preparative meetings thereto belonging as truth may open the way and report their sense and judgment of the situation of friends there to next Quarterly meeting to wit Nathaniel Newlin James Hayworth Richard Hayworth James Cox William Morris Samuel Holaday Jonathan Hayworth and Philip Silar.

The committee appointed to furnish the monthly meetings with copies of the Epistle of advice from the meeting for sufferings report they have complied with the appointment

Handed from Vermilion & Bloomfield monthly meetings accounts of sufferings for noncompliance with Military requisitions amounting to twenty nine Dollars $87\frac{1}{2}$ taken for a demand of eleven dollars $53\frac{3}{4}$ cents which the clerk is directed to sign and forward to the meeting for sufferings

Enoch Thompson is appointed treasurer to this meeting in the room of William Lindley Thomas Lindley Wilson Benjamine Albertson and Benjamine Pritchard are appointed to settle with the former treasurer and transfer the money &c remaining in his hands to Enoch Thompson and report their care to next Quarterly meeting

Received from our meeting for sufferings a number of copies of an Epistle to the members of the religious society of friends belonging to the Yearly meeting of Pennsylvania Newjersey Delaware and the eastern portion of Maryland and Virginia one of which was read in this meeting to satisfaction, also a number of copies of the christian Doctrine and society of the

people called Quakers cleared the reading of which is referred to next Quarterly meeting the representatives are directed to distribute them among all the monthly meetings constituting this in order that they may be read therein and circulated among our members generally.

By the reports from the Monthly meeting it appears that the subject of spirituous Liquors has been attended to agreeably to the direction of our last Yearly Meeting and altho some of our members do not bear as faithful a Testimony against the commerce Distillation and unnecessary use of that article as is desired yet we are encouraged in believing that our labours on that subject have been beneficial and that this important part of our testimony is not losing any ground.

Agreeably to the direction of the Yearly Meeting friends have extended labour with those that have departed from plainness in dress and address as far as way opened and it is believed that our testimony on that subject is gaining some ground

Our esteemed friends Jesse Arnett attended this meeting and produced a minute of concurrence from Newgarden monthly meeting dated 17th of the 5th mo 1828. whose company and Gospel labours have been acceptable and satisfactory.

Our esteemed friend Luke Woodard companion to our friend Jesse Arnett attended this meeting and produced a minute of concurrence from Newgarden Monthly meeting whose company and deportment hath been satisfactory the clerk is directed to furnish them with copies of the foregoing minutes

It is the judgment of this meeting that friends be cautious about receiving those who travel in the ministry under our name without being fully satisfied that they have certificates from friends meetings and in order that monthly meeting may be guarded on this head they are directed to appoint committee's to examine the certificates of all such previous to their holding any meetings among our members and also certificates of removal before they are received in the monthly meetings

Part of the committee appointed at last Yearly meeting on the request for a Quarterly meeting at White lick attended this meeting whose company and services were acceptable and satisfactory. this meeting concludes until next in course