Blue River Quarterly meeting of friends held at Highland's Creek Washington County Ind  $21^{st}_{\circ}$ 9<sup>th</sup> mo 1867 —

The assistant clerk not being present Elias H Trueblood is appointed for the day

The representatives appointed by the <u>mo</u> meetings to attend this, being called were all present except one from Honey Creek & one from Clear Creek for whose absence satisfactory reasons were rendered

The queries wer all read in this meeting & answers thereto in writing from the <u>mo</u> meetings of which the following is adopted as a summary a copy of which is directed to be forwarded to our ensuing yearly meeting by the following named friends whom we appoint as our representatives W<sup>m</sup> Price, David Moor, Abram Bundy and Tho<sup>s</sup>. Trueblood who are to report to next meeting

- An<sup>s</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> All our meetings for worship & discipline have been attended mostly small in the middle of the week, in which respect one report states some care has been extended unbecoming behavior mostly avoided the hour of meeting mostly observed
- An<sup>s</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> Many friends appear to maintain love towards each other becoming our christian profession Talebearing & detraction mostly discouraged Care is taken to end apparent differences
- An<sup>s</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup> Many friends endeavor by example & precept to educate their children & those under their care in plainess of speach deportment & apparel to guard them against reading pernicious books & from corrupt conversation they are encouraged to read the holy scriptures but there is a deficiency among us in all these respects
- Ans 4<sup>th</sup>. We believe friends are clear of vending distilling & the unnecessary use of spirituous liquors One report states not so clear of attending places of diversion A good degree of moderation and temperance observed
- An<sup>s</sup>  $5^{th}$  The necessities of the poor are attended to
- An<sup>s</sup> 6<sup>th</sup> Most friends bear a testimony against an hireling ministry, oaths, military services, except so far as the payment of bounty tax may be considered a violation of our testimony against military services As far as appears clear of clandestine trade prize goods & lotteries
- An<sup>s</sup> 7<sup>th</sup> Friends appear careful to live within the bounds of their circumstances, to avoid involving themselves in business beyond their ability to manage just in their dealings, & puctual in complying with their engagement
- An<sup>s</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> Friends bear a testimony against slavery None of the description queried after among us
- An<sup>s</sup> 9<sup>th</sup> Endeavors are used to deal with offenders in the spirit queried after but not so seasonably as would be best

Annual Answers	an <sup><math>\underline{s}</math></sup> 1 <sup>st</sup> No schools taught as queried after
	an <sup>s</sup> $2^{nd}$ They are

Blueriver <u>mo</u> meeting informed this, that after considering the weak state of Blueriver  $1^{\text{st}} \& 5^{\text{th}}$  day meeting, they are united in laying down that meeting & attaching its members to Highland's Creek meeting, with which this meeting unites & directs the <u>clk</u> to forward the information to our ensuing yearly meeting.

Clear Creek mo meeting informs this that Benjaminville preparative meeting of friends held in Mclean <u>cou III</u> request a mo meeting established at that place to be held the 7<sup>th</sup> day after the  $2^{\underline{nd}} 5^{th}$  day in each mo at 11 oclock, to be called Benjaminville monthly meeting with which this & women's meeting unite & appoints W<sup>m</sup> M Price Moses Reynolds, Elwood Trueblood, & Tho<sup>s</sup>. H. Trueblood to unite with a like committee of women friends in attending the opening of that meeting at the requested time in 11<sup>th</sup> mo next & report to next meeting – the clerk is directed to furnish Clear Creek mo meeting with a copy of the above minute

Clear Creek mo meeting informs this that the indulged meeting in Whiteside County <u>III</u> is orderly kept up under the care of a committee – the time of holding said mee is changed from  $7^{\text{th}}$ to  $1^{\text{st}}$  day of the week also from Sidney Averill & John Anthony's to Sterling which is satisfactory to this meeting

Agreeable to direction of last <u>mee't</u> monthly mee'ts have raised, to pay the dues incurred for keeping Samuel Price, the following sums viz Blueriver \$3,85 Honey Creek \$4,00 Clear Creek \$3,50 making in all \$11,35 which amount is to be placed in the hands of the treasurer of this <u>mee't</u> he to pay all out standing debts for keeping Samuel Price & report to next meeting

By direction of this <u>mee't</u> in the  $11^{\text{th}}$  <u>mo</u> last mo meetings report the following sum viz Blueriver, for yearly meeting stock \$4,80 Honey Creek none – Clear Creek 5,00 & \$2,10 for the use of the committe on the concerns of the people of color making together with 20 cts in the hands of the treasurer for yearly meeting stock \$10,00 & for the people of color \$2,10 which is to be placed in the hands of the representatives to forward to the Y Meet

We appoint  $W^{\underline{m}}$  M. Price, Moses Reynolds Abram Bundy & David Moore as members of the meeting for sufferings the ensuing year

Our esteemed friends Ann Packer a minister in company with her husband Aaron Packer an elder acceptably attended this meeting & produced minutes of concurence from Green Plain monthly meeting of friends held in Clark Cou Ohio whose labours of love among us have been edifying & satisfactory

The <u>clk</u> is directed to indorse the substance of the above on their minute

Then concluded I.H Trueblood Clk

NB this I propose to substitute to satisfy all parties

\* Having had satisfactory testimony in their favor though our friend from a distance in attendance, & one of the representatives from that meet a member of its committe to visit them