

in proposing the names of Samuel P. Zavitz and Arletta Cutler for Clerks for the ensuing year. The names proposed being separately considered were united with and they appointed to that service for one year.

The Epistle of Men's Branch of Philadelphia Yearly Meeting, and that received from Illinois, were now read.

The reading of the Epistles from our kindred Yearly Meetings have been very comforting and encouraging to us, inspiring us, by the love and life they contained, to a higher and nobler endeavor in the broader field of labor opening up to our branch of the Christian Church.

The meeting then proceeded to the consideration of the State of Society as exhibited by the answers to the queries, received from our Quarterly and Half Yearly Meetings, the following summaries of which were directed to be recorded as descriptive of our present state.

Ans. 1. Most Friends are diligent in the attendance of our meetings on First-days, mid-week meetings not so well attended; some improvement in their attendance of late, noted by one meeting; the hour nearly observed; no unbecoming behavior to remark, except one report says "some instances of sleeping and some care taken."

Ans. 2. Love and fellowship are maintained as becomes our Christian profession, except a slight abatement on the part of one Meeting. When differences have arisen care has been taken to end them,—tale-bearing and detraction avoided and discouraged as far as appears.

Ans. 3. As far as we know, Friends are clear of the use