

"time an address from the committee to those nations was delivered to them, as also a written communication from the friends themselves.

"In reply the five medals said that he felt thankful to the Great Spirit for having permitted them to meet at that time, and expressed his satisfaction with what was said, but observed that as only a few of the principal chiefs were present they could not reply to the speech delivered to them, until after it should be laid before their general council, and deliberated on there, when a full reply would be made. Neither of these have yet been received by us.

"Whilst these friends were in that country, they were at times much discouraged, on account of the sorrowful effects of spirituous liquors, amongst the Indians, for notwithstanding the law of Congress, which was obtained some years past, in order to prevent this destructive article being introduced into their country by the traders, yet it is to be lamented, that, of latter time, they have obtained it by going themselves into the state of Ohio, and purchasing it there, greatly to their injury, and to the obstruction of the object of our concern.

"Since the return of our deputations we have received letters from the young men there, informing that their crop of corn and vegetables looks well, as do also those of the Indians; they likewise inform that they have assisted the principal chief of the village, in building a more comfortable house than he formerly lived in, being nearly two stories high, with floors and partition, and had moreover aided another Indian in one which he was building for himself.

"And several others of the Indians having expressed a wish to remove a small distance out of the village, in order to have separate fields, and a better opportunity of raising stock, they contemplated assisting them in building houses for that purpose, as soon as the situation of the crop would admit of it. Our Young men have also informed that two of the Indians had been induced to cultivate their lands by the plough, and that they believed the late visit made to them by friends had been useful to them. The principal chief observed that he loved friends in his heart for the love they manifested to the Indians.

"We have examined the treasurer's account & find an unexpended balance in his hands of \$265.⁵⁶/₁₀₀ exclusive of the donation received from our brethren of Great Britain.

Signed on behalf of the Committee

Philip E Thomas Clk to the Committee

Baltimore 10 mo 12. 1808."

And as that committee further expressed an apprehension that an advantage would arise from an addition to their number the representatives were desired to take the subject into consideration and report to next sitting the names of such friends as they may think suitable to propose for that appointment.

Then adjourned to the 3rd hour this afternoon.

Agreeably to adjournment friends again assembled.

Asa Moore on behalf of the committee to which was referred the proposal of a friend as a member of the meeting for sufferings in the place of Phineas Jannet reported they had agreed to propose John Jannet which was concurred with and he accordingly appointed. The Clerk was directed to furnish that meeting with a copy of this minute.

Edward Stabler on behalf of the representatives reported they had agreed to propose William Wood, Samuel Test, Samuel Jones (of West branch) John Howard, James Ellicott, Jesse Tyson, and William Kenworthy as additional members to the committee on Indian concerns, with which the meeting concurred, and they were accordingly appointed. The clerk was directed to furnish that committee with a copy of this minute.

The Committee appointed at a former sitting to unite with a committee of women friends in preparing endorsements on the minutes of our brethren and sisters who have attended this meeting from other yearly meetings, now produced them. They were approved and signed.

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Essays of epistles were also produced, and being read the Clerk was directed to transcribe, sign and forward each of them to the respective Yearly meeting to which it was addressed.

The representatives being called, they appeared to be present nearly as at the opening of the meeting.

Under impressions of thankfulness to the gracious author of all good, for the evidences of his paternal regard extended to us through the several sittings of this meeting, enabling us to transact the affairs which have claimed our attention, in a good degree of harmony and affectionate condescension, the meeting concluded, to meet again, at the usual time, next year, if so permitted.