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The following Report was received from the Committee on
Indian Concerns: the proceedings of the Committee were approved
by the Meeting, as was also the proposed arrangement relative
to the disposition of the funds placed under ^{the} care of the Committee
and its future operations being conducted in conjunction with
Friends of Ohio Yearly Meeting to wit

To the Yearly Meeting now sitting,

The Committee on Indian concerns Report

That they have as far as opportunities offered continued
their exertions during the past year towards promoting the object
of the Yearly Meeting in relation to the Indian Natives, a depu-
tation of the Chiefs from Wau-pau-konetta on their way to the City of
Washington having passed through this City for the purpose of solicit-
ing the advice and assistance of Friends in regard to some
business which required their attention relative to the procure-
ment of additional security in the tenure of their lands, it was
concluded, after a full conference with these chiefs to appoi-
nt a Committee to aid them in their negotiations with the
President of the United States and Secretary of War; and we have
the satisfaction to state that these friends as well as the Indians
were received in the most friendly manner and that the business
of the Indian Deputation was arranged to the entire satisfaction
of the Chiefs who returned home much gratified with their recep-
tion by the Government and apparently very grateful for the
countenance and assistance they had received from friends.

In a Communication which was in the early part of
the present year, received from the Committee of Ohio Yearly
Meeting it was proposed to us to procure a piece of Land adjoining
to the reservation of Wau-pau-konetta and to establish a school there
for the education of the Indian Children; this proposition was fully
united with by us and we have since been informed by our
Brethren of Ohio that arrangements are now in train to imme-
diately carry into effect this measure from which very important

advantages to the rising generation are confidently expected: We
are also informed that the operations of the Committee are still
continued without interruption and with satisfactory encour-
agement at Wau-pau-konetta, and that one of the Chiefs had
been placed at the Mills for the purpose of obtaining such
instruction in the management of them as would it was expected,
in a short time render the future attention of a superintendent
at that place not necessary: this arrangement will hereafter
relieve the Committee from a heavy item of expence.

Since the union of our Committee with that of Ohio
Yearly Meeting in the Year 1816 the more active part of the
duties confided to us have been discharged by Friends of Ohio,
as the very remote situation in which we were placed, neces-
sarily rendered much personal attention on our part imprac-
ticable, it ~~was~~ with great satisfaction we can however state
that our brethren of Ohio have been so fully brought under
the weight of this truly interesting ~~concern~~ and important
concern, they have embarked in it with an ardour and a zeal
which have rendered unnecessary any great exertion on our
part, further than when occasions have offered, to appear
on behalf of the object which Friends have in view, before the
General Government.

Whilst however we have had an opportunity of
observing the lively interest with which our brethren of
Ohio have embarked in this object, we have on several occasi-
ons experienced that the obligation they found themselves under
to consult the Committee of Baltimore before they could feel
at liberty to undertake divers measures which from time
to time clearly appeared to them to be necessary in relation
to the concern has created delays which have, we have reason
to believe, retarded their efforts and had a discouraging
tendency upon their minds, and in some instances of dis-
satisfaction to the Indians; under these views, after a solid
consideration of the subject we addressed to the Committee
of Ohio Yearly Meeting the following Communication to wit

"To the Committee on Indian concerns appointed by the
Yearly Meeting of Ohio"

Dear