

like you, and the good understanding now existing between us, be forever perpetuated and cherished between your posterity and ours.

Brothers,- The council of our Nation have, under our new form of government, determined, as a monument of our gratitude for your labors among us, that the school-house and farms occupied by you, shall be converted into an asylum to be called the "Orphan's House," wherein the orphans and poor children of our nation may henceforth find a home, and be instructed in the arts of civilized life. It shall be continued under the charge and supervision of the Legislative Council, which will take measures to provide for its maintenance and support.

Brothers,- For the services you have rendered us, accept, the gratitude of an injured and oppressed race. We earnestly invoke the blessings of the Great Spirit upon you, and ask him to extend his protecting care over your friends, who are now here with us, and that whenever they depart from among us, he will conduct them safely home, to join you once more.

Brothers,- Farewell.

Signed on behalf of the Committee of the Council of the Seneca Nation of Indians:

Peter Wilson, John Luke

John Snyder, Little Joe.

(Attested)

William Tomerson, Clerk of the Seneca Nation
of Indians -

While the committee, under existing circumstances, deemed it proper, as here stated, to close the female manual labor school,

and to leave the charge of educating the children of the Indians to themselves, it is our united judgment, that the time has not yet arrived, when it will be right for Friends wholly to dissolve their connexion with these people, and withdraw altogether from them.

Though greatly advanced in intelligence, and perhaps comparatively enjoying as much domestic comfort, as many of the neighboring white population around them, they still have crafty and designing enemies, who, there is abundant evidence, have abated nothing of their desire to effect the removal of these Indians from the valuable territory they now occupy; indeed, there is little doubt, but that by the intrigues of emissaries, who continue to hover round these Indians, a new emigration party is already forming, in which some of the same persons that were implicated in the disastrous emigration of 1846, are active agents. It is, therefore, the opinion of the Committee, that those people, who still look to Friends as their only safe and abiding reliance in times of difficulty, will yet continue to need our care.

The committee have lately received a communication from the Seneca Indians, a tribe residing near the Falls of Niagara, requesting that Friends would take charge of a school upon their Reservation; we believe the number of these Indians is about 300 individuals. In their application they say they have a farm of about 70 acres under pretty good cultivation - a living spring upon it, and that there is a ~~house~~ frame house 22 x 24 or 25 feet, which may be purchased from an individual who owns it for \$50. They add, "This land is now applied to the benefit of the children whilst at the school; our object is, that our children be instructed in the elementary branches of useful education, - industry and morality. Finally, in all that is necessary to the easy transaction of