

1868 Visited nearly all the Members belonging to the Quarter, and although we have found weakness to prevail to some extent, yet we have been encouraged in believing, that the Care and concern of the Quarterly Meeting has been appreciated by most of our members.

The visits of your Committee have been received in much kindness, and a concern manifested that we may more generally be careful to live the life of the righteous in our common walks of life, and be better prepared to attend all our religious meetings; that we may again be permitted to dwell under that Canopy of love which so manifestly lived in the hearts of our predecessors.

The Committee are more than ever convinced of the important duty of a more social and religious intercourse amongst our members, and feel a concern to recommend to all of us, to prayerfully seek for a qualification to be useful to, and encourage each other to a more faithful attendance of our religious meetings, not only on first days, but also those held near the middle of the week. Truly the harvest seems to be plentiful, but the laborers are too few; pray ye therefore, that the Lord of the Harvest will qualify more laborers.

We are not willing to dismiss this important subject without expressing to you, dear Friends the deep concern we feel, that you, who have been placed as watchmen and watchwomen, over the flock, may humbly seek wisdom and strength of your Heavenly Father "who giveth liberally and upbraideth not" to enable you not only to keep your places in the life and spirit of the truth but that you may stand as way-marks for those of less experience; and finally, dear Friends, let us encourage each other to seek the truth; do justly, love mercy, and walk humbly with our God.

Signed by direction, and on behalf of the Committee, by
 David Pyle Mary L. Butler
 Naomi P. Benson Thomas P. King
 David L. McCoy.

The representatives were directed to confer together, at the close of this sitting, and bring forward to our next, the names of suitable Friends, to serve this meeting as Clerk and Assistant Clerk,

Then Adjourned to 3 o'clock this Afternoon.

1868 About the time adjourned to Friends assembled. Chalkley Lillingham on behalf of the representatives reported that they had conferred together, and were united in proposing William Wood for Clerk and Levi K. Brown for Assistant Clerk: who being separately considered by the meeting, were united with, and the Friends named were accordingly appointed to the service for the present year.

The Epistles from Ohio and Indiana Yearly Meetings were now read, giving continued evidence of a living exercise throughout our borders for the advancement of truth and the maintenance of our principles and testimonies.

To prepare Essays of Epistles as may may open therefor, to the several Yearly Meetings with which we correspond, the following named Friends were appointed: Joseph P. Baynes, Wm. M. May, Darlington Hoopes, Benjamin Halliwell, Samuel Townsend, William B. Steer, Samuel M. Janney, J. Burling Hull, Nathan Mene, Jesse W. Giest, David Pyle, Joseph McSpencer, David G. McCoy, Solomon Shephard, William Williams, and Jesse Underwood.

The same Committee was directed to endeavor to embody some of the exercises of the meeting, in a suitable minute and produce it to a future sitting, to be inserted in the Extracts for the benefit of our absent members.

The following report was received from the Committee on the Indian Concern, which was satisfactory to the Meeting viz:

The Standing Committee on the Indian Concern, Report, that they have continued their labors through the past year, in endeavoring to promote the interest and welfare of our Red Brethren, with unabated industry, endeavoring to embrace every opportunity which offered, of being serviceable to these people.

It is gratifying to be able to state that the Indians on the Cattaraugus and Alleghany Reservations in Western New York, which were for so many years objects of our peculiar solicitude and care, are now in a contented and prosperous condition, gradually gathering around them the conveniences and comforts of civilized life, and exhibiting an exemplary and commendable progress in civilization and enlightenment.

A member of our Committee, in course of a religious visit to that part of New York, was at the Cattaraugus Reservation last sixth month, and visited some Indian families, and their Indian schools with much interest and satisfaction. "The Asylum for Orphan and Destitute Indian Children" was in good condition and has about one hundred scholars, boys and girls.