

1878 recommendation for Indian agents in Nebraska.

The deputation was promptly admitted to an audience and our appeal was listened to with close attention. The President replied that the first point in the address could be answered at once in relation to the appointments in Nebraska. He stood just where he did at the first interview he had with Friends; that it was his constitutional right to make such appointments, and although he could not control the action of the Senate, he would appoint (emphatically) any agents that we would nominate. As to matters at the Pawnee Agency and the restoration of the minor appointments of employees, and the change of policy in the matter of forcing the acceptance of clerks in our agencies that were not acceptable to the agents, he would consider the matter and give an answer at a future time, and he invited us to call again. On the 26th of the present month W. Rush Roberts, Chalkley Gillingham and Richard E. Bentley called upon the President and were promptly admitted to an interview. He summoned Secretary Schurz to meet us, and a long and free discussion was entered into touching our Indian matters. It was evident to us that there was a strong desire that we should continue in our Indian work, and the President suggested that we should commence as it were afresh in the management of the Pawnee agency, by sending another agent, who, with a set of employees nominated by himself, might make it a success and remedy some of the evils believed by the Indian department to exist. This was acceded to by the Secretary, and our interview closed with a more hopeful feeling than we had experienced for a long time in the management of the agency we have in charge.

The Statement of the Treasurer of the Indian Fund shows, that our expenditures, on account of the Indians for the past year, including our proportion of the expenses of the seven Yearly meetings, engaged jointly in the Indian work, with amount to about \$800.

We respectfully recommend to the Yearly meeting to appropriate for the use of the committee \$200 for the ensuing year.

Signed on behalf of the committee by

W. Rush Roberts,

Chalk.

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Minutes
of
Representative
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The minutes of the Representative committee for the past year were read, and their proceedings approved by the meeting. The action of that body on the subject of Temperance, together with an essay on the same subject submitted by a sister and recorded in their minutes were directed to be printed in our extracts, for the benefit of our absent members.

The committee appointed at a former sitting to nominate Friends, to constitute, in conjunction with those appointed by Warner's Meeting, the Representative committee for the ensuing year, propose the following Friends to serve in that capacity, which was satisfactory to the meeting, and the Friends therein named were appointed to the service viz:

To the Yearly meeting now sitting:

The committee appointed on second day afternoon to nominate Friends to serve as a Representative Committee propose the following:

Representatives
Comm.

Thomas W. Matthews
Samuel W. Janney
Henry E. Laver
William Warner
Joseph Matthews
W. Rush Roberts
Bernard Baylor
James Wood
Richard E. Bentley
J. Benton Jackson
David Doyle
Edward Stabler Jr.
Samuel Townsend
James L. Brown
Charles J. Gyleson
Nathan Moore
Levi L. Brown
Gusse Koge
David W. Branson

Josiah Hibbard
Elkanah Sawett
Samuel A. Corser
Shepherd Wood
Robert R. Moore
Edward H. Reese
Alban Butler
Mordecai Price
J. Burling Hull
William Wood
Joseph Hamilton
Chalkley Gillingham
William Hoge
Edwin Blackburn
Henry Eddings
Isaac S. Russell
David Phillips
Josiah Priest
William Williams