

1880 to convene the latter.

At this meeting the attention of our members was called to a minute adopted previously, concerning the appointment of Educational Committees in each Monthly Meeting, and it was recommended, that all aim to have this accomplished. Subsequently the Executive Committee instructed the Clerk, to address all the members of the General Committee, concerning holding conferences on the subject of the Guarded Education of Friends' children at such times and places as might seem proper.

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The result was that meetings, under the auspices of the Educational Committee, were held at Goose Creek, 1st, 8th month 16th, at Monallen, 8th month 22nd, at Nottingham, 8th month 28th, at Centre, 9th month 5th, and at Gunpowder, 9th month 12th. These meetings were all attended by one or more of the Executive Committee, and generally by the members of this committee, from their respective Quarterly Meetings.

The Clerk about 1st, of 9th month, addressed a circular note to the individual members of the committee, requesting them to agitate the subject in their respective neighborhoods, and to report to the Clerk fully in the matter of Education, with statistical information bearing upon this subject.

In response to this circular, which was followed 9th mo. 30th, by another asking for answers to specific questions, we learn that the condition of Education within the limits of our Yearly Meeting, is as shown by the following table:

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	No. of suitable age to attend School	No. who attend School	No. attending school under care of Friends	No. Monthly and Representative Meeting Schools
Baltimore	75	60	38	1
Gunpowder	29	29	19	1
Little Falls	7	7	3	1
Sandy Spring	42	30	11	
Pipe Creek	23	8		
Monallen	38	35	20	
Hopewell	22	22	17	
Fairfax	21	18		
Goose Creek	76	51	40	
Alexandria	26	26	3	1
Nottingham	62	55	18	2
Little Britain	66	55	7	
Acers Creek	33	25	5	
Hunnings Creek	30	30	10	1
Centre	35			
West Branch	43	43		
Total	628	494	191	7

Thus it is shown that our number of children, of suitable age, to attend school is about 628, of whom about 303 (say one half) attend schools taught by those not in membership with us. We ask, "are Friends careful, as far as practicable, to place their children, for tuition, under the charge of suitable teachers in membership with us"? We think this work has been moving forward, that our conferences have been a means of increasing the interest in this important concern. Our correspondence shows a decided interest in this matter of educating our children. Clearly every one of our reports assures us that a school is earnestly wished for, but most of them see no way to accomplish this end.

It seems to your Committee