

1882 Losses in membership:

	By Death	Resignation	Removal	Disavowed
Baltimore Quarter	10	5	1	1
Warrington "	10	0	1	0
Purfax "	5	0	1	0
Ans. to Nottingham "	16	1	2	2
Centre "	2	0	8	0
Quar. concluded	43	6	13	3

Total loss for the year 65.

Twelfth.

Friends are generally careful, as far as practicable, to place their children for tuition under the care of suitable teachers in membership with us.

20. The Committee on the subject of Education made the following report, viz:

Baltimore Md 10th month 31st 1882.

To Baltimore Yearly Meeting:

Rep. of Educational Com. The Committee on Education, by the action of last Yearly Meeting, having been continued, met on Eleventh month, 3^d 1881, and organized by appointing a clerk and a Visiting Committee. The duties of this Visiting Committee were defined to be: "To enquire into the needs and wants of our Meetings, and of Friends generally, as to matters of education in its broadest sense." "Also to visit neighborhoods of Friends, and endeavor to increase the interest in educational matters, and to stimulate Friends to greater earnestness in this most important concern."

A Central Committee was also appointed. They are expected to labor on behalf of the General Committee when the latter cannot conveniently meet.

During the year the efforts of your Committee have been directed chiefly to advancing the work already begun in different sections of the Yearly Meeting, and in trying to

1882 establish schools under the care of Friends, wherever there seemed to be a reasonable prospect that they would be supported. We are encouraged to think that in the near future, two or three more such schools will be in successful operation.

We have failed to receive reports from several of our Monthly Meetings, which is much to be regretted. On this account full statistical information cannot be embodied in this report, but, from information gathered, we are led to think that our condition is but little changed since last year's report was made.

All the schools reported by members of our Committee from different Monthly Meetings appear to be prospering. Reports this year are especially encouraging, and lead your Committee to the opinion that Friends' Schools, under care of judicious concerned teachers, aided by small committees, in almost any neighborhood, will command a good degree of support.

Rep. of Ed. Com. continued

Your Committee also wish to call attention to the fact that there is a great demand for teachers who are Friends, and that a good teacher, who is a member of our Society, rarely waits long for a position.

To find suitable teachers for schools where there is a fair prospect of establishing them, is a difficult matter therefore we would urge Friends to encourage all of our members who seem to be possessed of what may be called a 'gift' in this broad field of labor, to press forward, and gain all other necessary qualifications. We know there are many members who are anxious to become sufficiently educated to teach; we think it should be a concern of Society to aid these, if they seem to possess proper qualifications as to health, character, ^{habits} associations &c. to succeed as educators. We do not refer alone to ability to train the intellect, but to attend also intelligently to the physical and moral growth of youth. We would have Friends supply as rapidly as possible, cost what it may, the demand for persons to guardedly educate our children. Could our Yearly Meeting, as a body, realize as this Committee have, the anxious solicitude of many parents to have their children educated in schools where they could feel that all the agencies employed were in sympathetic accord with the precious testimonies of our Society.