

1882 no moral support could long be withheld, not pecuniary aid withheld or denied when needed.

Your Committee feel encouraged at the prospect of succeeding in their work in the future more fully than in the past. Young parents who have children to educate, are taking a deep interest in the matter of education, and to them, your Committee look for aid in the work committed to them, and the Meeting must look to these children, to whom, in a few years, must come the burdens of Society. Upon them alone must we throw all our cares and concerns, to them must we commit our principles and testimonies. Let us then fail not to do our part in building them up to be fully able to stand firm as pillars of the Church. Let us not commit our charge to hands that we have not taught to do the work.

On behalf of the Committee,

E. Edward Walker

Maria E. Tyson

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Which was read and approved, the Committee is continued and encouraged, as way may open, to assist Friends in the establishment of schools under their care, where a guarded education, moral and consistent habits, and the principles of Friends will be inculcated.

They are directed to furnish full statistics of the number of Friends' children attending schools, and the amount expended for their education, in their report next year.

Then adjourned until 10 o'clock tomorrow morning.

Fifth of the Week and Second of the Month

The Meeting convened pursuant to adjournment.

The Committee appointed last year on the subject of Temperance made the following report, which was read and was satisfactory.

1882 The Committee was continued and encouraged to embrace every right opportunity to advance this righteous cause. They are authorized to draw upon the Treasurer for the sum of \$200. if necessary, to defray any expenses incurred, to wit:

To the Yearly Meeting now sitting.

The Committee appointed last year on the subject of Temperance, reports, that they have labored as way opened, in conjunction with Committees appointed by the several Monthly Meetings; and reports from most of these show that a good work has been done in the different branches of the Yearly Meeting, each performing that service which seemed best suited to the locality. Petitions were prepared and presented to Congress, and the Legislatures of Maryland and Virginia, setting for the enactment of laws prohibiting the importation, manufacture, and sale of intoxicating liquors for drinking purposes. We acted in conjunction with the Maryland State Temperance Alliance, and other temperance organizations, in procuring from the Legislature of Maryland, a law permitting several additional districts and counties to decide at the polls, whether intoxicants shall be sold, or not, as an article of drink. Our efforts, also did much towards procuring the appointment of a Standing Committee on Temperance, in the Senate of Maryland.

Application was made to the State Board of Education of Virginia, to have Dr. Richardson's text book on alcohol, or some other similar work, introduced into the public schools of that State. The authorities decided that the law was such as to forbid action by the board, but that parents might provide their children with such books, if teachers did not object. Some of the local authorities recommended teachers to provide copies of these works, and place them on their desks as reference books for students.

Many thousands of leaflets, setting forth the fearful effects of alcoholic poison, when introduced into the <sup>human</sup> system, have been distributed, not only among our own members but wherever it was thought good could be accomplished, and our means would allow. Our efforts in this di-