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All other things being equal, and if they can be made a little, or much better, by having good teachers and books of Reference, a few Charts, etc. people not in membership with us will be willing to patronize them and thus aid in their support.

If it is important that Friendly influence be put around our children the school is pre-eminently the place to do it, and while the large percentage of children of our Society attend schools, where there is no Friendly love, but, on the contrary, are wholly antagonistic to it, we cannot expect much spread of a knowledge of Friends' principles and testimonies.

To our question: How many children of your Monthly Meeting attend schools not under the care of Friends? answers have come from eleven. Five of them say all attend such. One says none, and the other five say 100 of 211 attend such schools not under care of Friends.

One encouraging feature of these reports is that in Sandy Spring where we have worked to establish a school, only 6 out of 55 are not in Friends Schools, and Lunning's Creek reports none attending schools not under care of Friends.

It seems to the Committee that there should therefore be no relaxing, but on the contrary greater vigor than ever thrown into this work. Now that First day Schools are doing the work of strengthening the interest in the principles of our Society, our children should not be drawn away therefrom during the other six days of the week. Should we not rather try to supplement the work of home and the First day School and of the Meeting in our every day school?

With the reports just received came requests for some assistance, such as has been given by the Committee in the past to our subordinate Meeting schools and several members have given notice that others would come. Seeing this evidence of renewed interest and the anxiety of many now present to put their children among Friends, the Committee feel that we may again start forward with abundant hope of reward.

Inasmuch as the appropriation made last year has been carefully retained in the treasury, hoping that our work could, for a time, go on without our encouragement or help, in which we have disappointed, and anxious to make due amends by greater care and effort in the future, the Committee would ask, that the amount unexpended and \$50 additional, be set aside for their uses the coming year,

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if it be the pleasure of the Yearly Meeting to continue the work.
Respectfully submitted,

Eli M. Lamb, Clerk.

After a general discussion of the subject it was decided to appropriate for the use of this Committee during the ensuing year, the sum of two hundred dollars.

Then adjourned to ten o'clock tomorrow morning.

Fifth Day Morning, First of Eleventh Month.

The Meeting re-assembled at ten o'clock.

29 A Memorial of Goose Creek Monthly Meeting, concerning our deceased Friend, Hannah Jane Taylor, read in and approved by Fairfax Quarterly Meeting was received from the Representative Committee, read in this Meeting and approved, and directed to be signed by the Clerks and handed to the Clerk of the Representative Committee for recording.

30 The Committee appointed at a former session to examine and audit the Books and Accounts of the Treasurer of the Yearly Meeting, submitted the following report, which, upon being read, was approved, viz:

To the Yearly Meeting now sitting:
We, the Committee appointed at a former sitting to examine the Treasurer's Accounts, propose a sum to be raised for the use of the Meeting, and name a suitable person for Treasurer, report:
We have examined his accounts and find satisfactory vouchers for all money disbursed, and a balance remaining in his hands of \$1,077.49, as shown by the following statement taken from the books of the Treasurer: