

our cordial sympathy in the arduous work in which we were engaged; in the mean time the difficulty of acting in concert at so great a distance has often tended to create delays & perhaps to discourage you from pursuing those views which are clearly opened to you as proper.

"Under these considerations, we are free to suggest that perhaps the time has nearly arrived when it would be expedient for us so far to withdraw as to place at your own disposal the whole of the funds heretofore considered under our joint control and to hold ourselves released from the service except when occasions may offer in which we can be useful to you in appearing on behalf of the object before the general Government or in such other way as circumstances might render convenient and proper."

The Report of the Committee on Indian Concerns which was approved by this meeting & from which the foregoing Extract is taken was replied to by a Circular from the Ohio Yearly Meeting directed to the Baltimore & Indiana Yearly Meetings Committees on Indian Concerns, in which they say, "On taking the propositions contained in the Communication under consideration, it is our decided choice that our Friends of Baltimore continue to participate in the Concern & render us such advice & assistance as may appear necessary in the prosecution of the arduous and interesting work."

"The principal portion of the labour we are willing to take upon ourselves or in conjunction with our friends of Indiana Yearly Meeting. The Circular continues to say 'we are of the judgement that we should be permitted to decide on the measures to be adopted among the Indians (experience having shown that prompt decision is generally required) and that the Communication to them or their agent should be through us; the funds to remain in Baltimore under the care of the Committee there but subject to our drafts, so far as the necessary operations may require?'"

"This Circular was adopted and the Clerk added 'upon examining the Treasurer's account we find a balance in his hands of \$2258²⁶/₁₀₀ exclusive of the principal of the donation received from our brethren of Great Britain'"

"Indiana Yearly Meeting was set up in the Year (1821) & from this time we find it united with this, and the Ohio Yearly Meeting in the Indian Concern. In 1822 we find our ^{Committee on} Indian Concerns embracing this arrangement."

"The Committee on Indian Concerns report; that by information received from our brethren of the Yearly Meeting of Ohio to whom in conjunction with friends of Indiana Yearly Meeting had been by mutual arrangement confided the immediate superintendence of the Settlement formerly under

our care at Waupah-Konnetta &c."

"In the Reports of 1823 we again find a reference to Ohio Yearly Meeting on this Concern, & so on until the Year 1826. ^{When in fact the foregoing arrangements} Our brethren of Ohio and Indiana Yearly Meetings, who are associated with us in this work of benevolence, and to whose active attention it (the Indian Concern) has been confided, have in the prosecution of the Concern, evinced a patience & zeal which affords to us entire satisfaction; and while there remains a prospect that any future exertions on behalf of this suffering and injured people can be useful we feel full confidence that every opportunity which may offer will be improved, for rendering them such aid and instruction as will be consistent with the trust reposed and the means placed at our disposal."

Signed George Williamson
Nicholas Pappin } Committee
Thomas Scott }

A Copy of a minute duly authenticated made in the Yearly Meeting of Friends held in London by adjournments from the 18th of the 5th month to the 27th of the same included 1831. wherein that meeting recognizes the body of persons composing this meeting to be the Yearly meeting of the Religious Society of Friends held in Baltimore for the Western Shore of Maryland and parts of Pennsylvania & Virginia was produced & read. Also a minute from the same meeting expressive of a feeling of much sympathy for Friends within the limits of several Yearly meetings on this continent in consequence of the various pecuniary claims to which they have been subjected owing to the separation of many of the members from the Society. The reasons & evidences thus furnished of their brotherly kindness and sympathy and full unity & Christian fellowship with us has been truly grateful to our best feelings and in order to promote the accomplishment of the views of that meeting as expressed in the latter minute in relation to fitting up a meeting house, a supply of the Holy Scriptures, education and a supply of Books for Friends Libraries; the Clerk was directed to transmit a copy thereof to the meeting for suffering & that meeting is desired to give the necessary attention to the application of any funds which may be received for these purposes agreeably to the minute or to such contributions as may hereafter be received from our brethren of that meeting, The Clerk was directed to forward a copy of this minute with our Epistle to the Yearly meeting of Friends held in London also to place both of the Minutes on our records which are as follows:

"At a Yearly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends commonly called Quakers held in London by adjournments from the 18th of the 5th month to the 27th of the same included 1831. This meeting hereby declares that it acknowledges as in