

bound of their circumstances and to avoid involving themselves in business beyond their ability to manage to be just in their dealings & punctual in complying with their engagements. One report notes an exception in some of these particulars which is said to be under care & that greater punctuality in fulfilling contracts would be beneficial.

8th As far as appearing Friends are careful to bear a testimony against Slavery those of the African race in families are one laborer suitably provided for, & some care is taken to instruct them in useful learning.

9th Endeavors are used to deal with offenders reasonably & impartially and to revive to them who wish not to be ostracized the spirit of meekness & love before they are disowned. One report mentions an exception in one Monthly Meeting in relation to those who have joined in the separation very little labour having yet been expended on that account.

10th John Kinsley an Elder & Member of Nottingham & Little Britain Monthly Meeting departed this life on the 13th of the 1st month 1835. in the 55th year of his age.

11th None.

12th Friends are careful as far as practicable to plan their children for Slavery under the charge of Slavery in Membership with us & yet from the report it appears there is but one school taught by a Member which is under the direction of Friends.

Then adjourned to 3 o'clock this afternoon near the time adjourned to Friends met.

A Memorial concerning our late laborer friend Jonas Jarmy deceased from Haverhill Monthly Meeting approved by Baltimore quarterly Meeting as it received through the Meeting for suffering which was read united with Directors to be returned to that Meeting to be recorded.

The Minutes of the Meeting last year in relation to the interesting concern for the more guarded religious literary education of poorer children being now reviewed it appears by the reports from the quarterly Meetings that this subject has engaged the particular attention of friends & ministers Meetings that many of our Members are deeply impressed with its importance but owing to the reduced numbers & scattered situation of friends they have not been

able to establish select schools; Several schools taught by Members of Society are noted and one of them as being under the care of friends. Notwithstanding the discouragements under which friends are placed from their present situation & circumstances it was the earnest desire of the Meeting that the subject should continue to impress their minds and that every opening which may present for an advancement in the concern may be embraced for the improvement & benefit of their children.

Then adjourned to 10 o'clock tomorrow morning 28th of the month & 14th of the week.

According to arrangement friends adjourned to

The Committee on Indian Concerns produced the following report. The plan contains therein for the Government of the Joint Committee in their future labors for the benefit of the Shawnee Indians, residence & united with excepting that part which relates to an application being made to the Government to appoint a friend to fill the station of Publicist Blacksmith it being the judgment of the Meeting that this concern should remain on its original ground that of religious concern for the welfare & benefit of these Indians and that the Christian instruction contemplated to be imparted to them should be made in reference to the ground & in conformity with religious principles & in view that suitable encouragement & aid may be given to the Joint Committee in the execution of the plan now adopted this meeting in conformity with the suggestion of the Committee in their report directs quarterly & monthly meetings to open subscriptions to raise funds for that purpose & it is the desire of the Yearly Meeting that the amount collected be forwarded in the fifth or sixth month next to Joseph Kinsley Secretary of that Committee.

To the Yearly Meeting now sitting

The Committee on Indian Concerns report that the Committee of Ohio & Indiana Yearly Meetings united with in the concern of the civilization & Christian instruction of the Shawnee Indians having prepared a proposition of the several Committees in order to mature a plan for the future operations of the Joint Committee & was unanimously agreed to be held at Mount Pleasant in the 1st month last. At this conference the following plan was agreed upon & subsequently adopted by us is now submitted for the consideration & approval of the Yearly Meeting.