

339 (Men Friends) attended Virginia Half Year's Meeting, held at Black Creek, in the fifth month last, and the lower Monthly Meeting, held at the same place. - five of the joint Committee attended Denning's Creek Monthly Meeting, held by adjournment, on the 27<sup>th</sup> of fifth month; and eight of the joint Committee attended the Monthly and Quarterly Meetings at Bellefonte, the last of the fifth and the first of the sixth month. And part of our number attended Hopewell Monthly and Baltimore Quarterly Meeting, held at Hopewell in the sixth month. On these occasions, those of the Committee in attendance were favored to mingle together in exercise and concern with the members present, in a measure of the love and fellowship of the gospel; giving them such help and encouragement as ability was received to impart. - No visit has been paid to Nottingham Quarterly Meeting or to the members and meetings comprising it.

Signed on behalf of the Committee  
John Scott      Clarissa Fupell  
Wm. A. Thomas      Margaret Cheston.

This Meeting having been informed by the Committee, set apart last year to visit our Subordinate Meetings that no labor had been bestowed within the limits of Nottingham Quarterly Meeting, under a weighty concern for the support of our Christian Discipline and order, is united in setting apart a joint Committee of Men and Women Friends, to visit that Quarterly Meeting, and extend such advice and assistance to their meetings and members as way may open for, and ability be received, to impart. They are also authorized to visit and labor in such other Quarters of our Yearly Meeting as they may find required of them, viz:

Joseph King Jr., John Scott, Bond Valentines  
Hugh Balderston, Wm. A. Thomas, Francis J. King  
and Richard H. Thomas, who are directed to report to our next Yearly Meeting.

Women's Committee: Clarissa Fupell, Hannah Ann Tyson, Margaret Cheston, Sarah Sands, Sarah Janney, Mary E. King and Esther Hopkins.

The following report was produced and read, which is satisfactory to the Meeting.

The undersigned, a committee appointed to settle the

Treasurer's account, report the expenses of the past year<sup>340</sup> to be twenty five dollars, for which a bill and voucher are exhibited, and that a balance of one hundred and sixty eight dollars and sixty five cents is found in the Treasurer's hands, and do not find it necessary to raise any funds for the ensuing year.

On behalf of the Committee  
George Valentin, Aaron H. Griffith, Geo. F. Sewell,  
10<sup>th</sup> month 25<sup>th</sup> 1854

Then adjourned to 4 O'clock this afternoon.  
Near the hour adjourned to Friends assembled.

An interesting and satisfactory Report from our Committee on Indian Concerns was now produced and read, it is approved, and our Subordinate Meetings are directed to raise the sums therein named, and place it in the hands of the Treasurer of the Committee. It is as follows:

To the Yearly Meeting

Dear Friends

By the Report of the Committee of Indiana Yearly Meeting on Indian Concerns it appears that they have been actively engaged in promoting the interests of the School among the Shawnee Indians.

By Reports from the Superintendent, it appears that owing to the unsettled state of the Indians, and other causes, the school, during most of the time the past year, has been small, averaging about fifteen children in attendance.

We are informed by Friends at the School, that the unsettled state of the Indians arose from a difference in sentiment among them relative to the late treaty with the General Government, by which they agreed to sell all their lands, (except a reservation of twenty four by thirty miles, including their improvements,) from which they are to select two hundred acres for each man, woman and child, belonging to the nation.

By the treaty, three hundred and twenty acres of land, (which includes all the improvements) has been set apart for the use of Friends School, to be held by them so long as the School shall be continued - and should the School be discontinued, the land and improvements to be appraised separately and sold - the price of the land to be paid