

341 to the Indians, and the price of the improvements to Times. The half section of land set apart for the use of the School being deemed insufficient, particularly as there is no timber on it for fencing, a Committee was appointed and authorized to secure by pre-emption right, or otherwise, as much land adjoining, or convenient to the establishment, as may be necessary for the use of the School.

A member of each Committee of Baltimore & Indiana Yearly Meetings visited the Commissioner of Indian Affairs, at Washington, who expressed his regret that a deputation from Friends was not present during his negotiations with the Shawnees, as he felt confident this would have been no difficulty in securing, by treaty, as much land as would have been necessary for the use of the School: and he opened the Friends that he would write to the Agent having charge of the Shawnee Indians, to assist Friends in securing by pre-emption, or otherwise, such land as they may deem necessary for the use of the Establishment.

It appears by the Report of our Superintendent, that the Scholars have been attentive to their Studies, and have made good progress therein - that their deportment in Schooling has been exemplary, and that a first-day School, for the purpose of advancing them in Scripture Knowledge, has been kept up. The larger boys assist on the farm, and the girls in the house.

Meetings for Divine Worship are regularly held, and a portion of the Holy Scriptures is read daily in the family.

In relation to the farm, the Superintendent says there have been Eleven hundred dozen of Oats cut, two hundred dozen wheat, and about thirty tons of hay, all put up in good order: but owing to the long continued drought, the Corn will not yield more than half a Crop.

During the last year there has been received for produce Cattle, &c, sold from the farm \$804.55, and during the same period there has been paid out for groceries, and other articles, for the use of the family, and for extra labor on the farm \$226.25, there has been ninety three garments made for the girls, and forty four for the boys, and stockings and socks knit by the girls sufficient for the use of the family.

The building of the barn has been completed, at a cost of \$757.75, being an excess of \$57.75 over the amount raised

for that purpose.

By the Report of the Committee appointed to settle with the Treasurer, and also to ascertain the indebtedness of the Committee, it appears there was a balance in the hands of the Treasurer on the 12th of Dec: 1854, of \$1354.65 To which may be added, Amount due for our Quarterly Meetings on assessment of last Yearly Meeting for 1854 $\frac{328.80}{\$1683.45}$

Indebtedness

Amount due Friends employed at the Establishment Eight Months 1854. 539.08

Balance of funds placed in the hands of Friends by Elizabeth Wells, to be applied to the benefit of her children, (one of the heirs having been paid his proportion during the last year)

Amount of principal and interest $\frac{674.46}{1213.54}$

We have now in our employment at the Establishment, the following Friends, viz:

Davis W. Thayer and Wife, as Superintendents, (Salary)	\$300. per annum
Richard Wendinshall and Wife, as teacher and assistant, (Salary)	300.
Cyrus Rodgers, as farmer, (Salary)	200.
Elizabeth W. Thayer, as assistant, (Salary)	100.
Davis W. Thayer's Son, 15 years old, - (Salary)	75. \$975.00

To this amount is to be added travelling expenses to and from the School and other incidental expenses.

Now that the tide of White emigration seems to be setting into the Kansas Territory, and there is every probability of the Shawnee Indians being soon surrounded in their reservation by the industry and arts of civilized life, it is to be hoped that the labors of Friends and the advantages of the School can be brought to bear more directly upon the Indians.

Indiana Yearly Meeting has directed one thousand dollars to be raised the ensuing year, for the promotion of this interesting Concern, and we propose that one hundred dollars be sent by this Meeting for the same purpose. On behalf of the Committee,

Francis J. King, Clerk.
The Minutes of the Meeting for Offerings for the past year were now read and approved.