

Expenditures

Amount paid on orders drawn by the Clerk
and approved by the Auditing Committee 2224.72
Leaving a balance of available funds \$ 927.07
To which is to be added a first mortgage
bond of the S. P. C. A. R. Co. for \$1000 bearing
7 per cent interest paying semi-annually,
And there is yet due from the Quarters on
assessments of last year \$210.-

Indebtedness

Amount due the estate of Elizabeth Wells 740.-
Amount received belonging to Indian Children 250.-
\$ 990.-

We continue to feel a deep and we may say
increasing interest in laboring to promote
the temporal and spiritual welfare of the
Indians who at the time of our first pre-
decessor John Cass formed a treaty of friend-
ship with them were a numerous and pow-
erful people the undisturbed possessors of
the rich country we inhabit but who have
been reduced to a small number and driven
back from the Atlantic coast to the far West
and although some friends may be almost ready
to conclude that we have labored long and
expended much money to little purpose yet
if we look back a few years when Friends
commenced their labors among the Shawnees
at Hapahoretta Ohio and contrast their
situation at that time with their present
condition we shall find abundant cause
of gratitude for the blessings that have
attended our feeble efforts to benefit that people.

At that time they were in a
wild state enveloped in darkness and
superstition having little or no knowledge
of the Christian religion. They were con-
gregated in little villages or lodges de-
pending for subsistence upon the preca-
rious success of hunting and often they
suffered for the necessities of life.

Now they are dispersed over the

fertile prairies of Kansas: many of them
having comfortable dwellings and well
cultivated farms stocked with horses
cattle hogs etc, and are enjoying the comforts
of civilized life; a considerable number
of them have embraced the doctrine of
the Gospel; they have two comfortable
houses for Divine worship; the habit
of intemperance is almost entirely abolished
and their number is increasing.

By recent information from the
school we are satisfied that no further
depredations will be committed at the
establishment and the committee is now
endeavoring to procure the services of suit-
able friend to take charge of the insti-
tution and to have the school resumed
with as little delay as possible and we
feel an assurance that there is a wide
field open awaiting to labor among the
Shawnees and we believe there never has
been a time when it was more likely to be
productive of good than the present. Signed
by direction and on behalf of the committee

Baltimore 10 Mo 20 1856

Then adjourned to half past 10 o'clock to morrow
morning.

22nd of the month and 11 of the week
Near the hour adjourned to Friends assembled
The committee to advise and assist Nottingham
Quarterly Meeting made the following report
which was approved of and they are released.
To the Yearly Meeting

The committee continued last
year to advise and assist Nottingham
Quarterly Meeting report. That several
of their number attended that meeting in
11 Mo last and extended such advice and
assistance as they seemed to require and
ability was given to impart. The minutes
of our last Yearly Meeting dissolving that