

of progress in any phase of the great subject.

We have received from Lewis Appleton, of Birmingham, England, 50 copies bound in cloth, and 250 in paper cover of a book describing the battle fields, and battle-dread towns of France, which he visited soon after the close of the Franco-Prussian War. As the book is written in the interests of Peace, we think its circulation in this country will do good.

There is a good stock of Peace publications now in the office; as we usually have pretty large editions printed, they cost only about one cent for 16 pages.

In the organization of our Association, it was the design for each of the standing committees to report once a year to the Secretary of the Executive Committee, and for these reports to form a part of his annual report to the different yearly meetings. We have received no such report the past year, and we fear that many of these committees are not working as energetically as the importance of the subject demands.

Whilst the outlook in many respects is cheering to the friends of peace, it must be confessed, that the immense standing armies and military preparations of most of the nations of Europe, are a constant menace to the cause, as well as a crushing weight upon the inhabitants of those countries even in times of peace. We have a great work in hand. The progress is slow, but we believe sure.

The changes in public sentiment on the subject are in most cases gradual, and often unseen and unknown to those who are sowing the seeds of truth. Cause is truth, a work of faith and faith of love. Let us pray that the Lord may guide us in judgment, and that his blessing may rest upon our labor in the future, as it has in the past.

It costs something to carry on the work, and we suggest that the Yearly Meetings make their usual annual appropriation for this purpose.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Daniel Hill, Secretary.

New Haven, Conn, 9th month 21st, 1875

Abstract of the Treasurer's statement, from 8th month 22nd, 1874, to 8th month 25th, 1875.

Receipts ----- \$ 6599.90

Expenditures ----- 3782.93

Balance ----- 2816.97

Burnay Shipley, Treasurer.

18. The minutes of the Meeting for Sufferings were read and approved, and we would encourage Meetings to continue its labors the ensuing year.

19. The following report from our Indian Committee was read, also, a portion of the report of the Associated Executive Committee, to our satisfaction, and our Treasurer was directed to pay to Charles F. Coffin, Treasurer of the Committee, our usual quota of the expense of the Yearly Meeting:—

The Indian Committee herewith presents the Report of the Associated Executive Committee, and proposes that our usual quota of the expense of the Associated Committee be sent to the Treasurer, Charles F. Coffin, Richmond, Indiana.

John C. Thomas, Secretary.

20. The meeting was deeply interested in the remarks of James C. Roade, of Philadelphia, Secretary of the Associated Executive Committee of Friends in Indian Affairs, upon Friends' Missions work among the Indians under our care in the Central Superintendence, and in the detailed statement made by Micajah M. Buford, concerning Friends' Missions in Matamoros, Mexico, where he and his wife have been laboring with Samuel Purdy and wife, under the direction of Indiana Yearly Meeting; also in the presentation to us of the general subject of Missions, by our friend Stanley Cumphrey, of England. Much interest was expressed in the subject, and the meeting was united in the appointment of a Standing Committee on Missions, to co-operate with the Committee of other Yearly Meetings, or to engage in such work themselves as may may open for; they were also authorized to collect funds by voluntary subscriptions from our members, to be forwarded to the Missions and Committee of Indiana Yearly Meeting, on behalf of their work in Mexico, or in aid of such other missions as the Committee may deem advisable, and report annually to this Meeting. Our Treasurer was directed to pay to the Committee \$250 from our general fund.

21. John B. Cunchaw, James C. Thomas, Uriah White and Thomas Valen were appointed to name to our next sitting suitable Friends to serve in connection with Women Friends, as the Committee on Missions.

Then adjourned to 3 o'clock to-morrow afternoon.

21st of the month, and 5th of the next.

Near the hour adjourned to Friends met.

22. The remaining Queries from the 6th to the 12th, inclusive, were read, with the Answers from the Quarterly