

father, the interest of parents in the education of their children, the interest of the children themselves continue unabated.

Among the many evidences of progress is the fact that three fine schools of higher grade of a more permanent character have been established since the Baltimore Association began the distribution of the English fund three years ago. These schools have been maintained by the fostering care of the Association. And the self-sacrificing efforts of a few earnest friends of education in their respective localities.

I have endeavored to impress on Friends that we must soon depend more on themselves for the education of their children. It was suggested, our late Yearly Meeting decided to petition the State Legislature to make more liberal provision for education. A petition was prepared, and a committee appointed to present it to the next session of the Legislature.

The great need of the schools is of teachers, especially because for the work. A boarding school of high grade for both sexes at a central accessible point is very much wanted to superintend our system of education in both Carolina. Now that the Yearly Meeting has so largely increased the membership and meetings.

The cause of the large discrepancy between the number of children of school-age in the Yearly Meeting and of those reported as attending school, is that some Friends in every district are so ignorant that their children can not attend these schools, and none of the children attending school in America have been reported through me. Until this year I have a partial report. I believe there are now no Friends children between the ages of 7 & 21 years, except it may be a very few newly admitted into membership who can not read & write.

I herewith enclose a detailed statement of the schools the past year.

Friends & others continue to express gratitude for the help so abundantly given during the past three years.

Thirteenth 35th, 1850.

### Annual Report

Of Dr. D. D. Turner to the Baltimore Association for the year ending 9th month 1st, 1851.

I herewith submit a Report of work done by me the last year. Although not all I expect so much done in some respects as last year, yet I feel that the Lord has abundantly blessed our educational work this year. Having less help than last year and more to do in the educational department, I have done less evangelical work this year than last. Having a circuit reports as yet from the few evangelical workers in this region. I only repeat my own work.

Our school work has gone on unusually promising this year, with a larger number in the schools than ever before to begin with.

The normal school at Maryland is larger than last year at this time, and a better grade of students. I don't know what will do this year for means to pay for the poorer class of students. Our charge for tuition is so low, that our teachers can not live unless they get the tuition of the school school. Your fund for the last two years has not reached me, and as I understand that the English fund is nearly exhausted, I suppose the funds of the Association will be limited. We have to the four teachers all the time, and after Christmas give all of them all, and put on their wages for support.

We could fill this school with paying students, but that would be thwarting the great object I had in view in starting this school. Its great object was to help the deserving poor to help themselves, by preparing them for teaching in which we have long been successful. But our towards paying tuition for the deserving, will be gratefully received either from the Association or any members of your meeting.