

is maintained and rather gaining ground. One of the Meeting Houses of the Seneca Indian Friends is being erected which gives cheer and hope to the members.

Jonathan Ogden and his wife have lately made a religious visit to the Osages and Kaws: and have thus renewed the faith and good feelings of some among whom they had labored for several years.

A Friend and his wife have offered to go to reside among these tribes as missionaries, but the Friends of the Associated Committee have been so drawn on by White's Institute and necessary aid to the settling of accounts at Washington that we are unable this year to sustain them.

At White's Institute the new brick building for dining room and for a home for the girls is fast approaching completion the necessary funds having been obtained. This school as a whole is doing well.

Benjamin and Elizabeth Miller of West Branch Iowa have just moved their school with its 50 Indian children to White's Institute Iowa. Here they can utilize that valuable property for their useful work and the school will be placed on a more substantial basis. Friends of Western Yearly Meeting are doing a very useful work among the Eastern Cherokees of North Carolina. They have 5 schools of about 120 pupils. The teachers are Friends chosen for their fitness both as to professional skill and as Christian workers. The schools are chiefly sustained by tribal funds but these are supplemented by appropriations from Western and North Carolina Yearly Meetings.

The United States Training School for Indian Youth, at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, formerly under a military officer, is now in charge of our Friend, Dr. H. J. Meritt, of Iowa; who has as his chief assistant and as Physician to the School Dr. W. V. Coffin, a valuable Friend and late graduate of Harvard College.

Our Friend, W. J. Hady, for several years Superintendent of the Cherokee Boarding School under Agent John D. Mills, has just been placed by the Department in charge of the Chickasaw Training School, near Arkansas City, and in the Indian Territory. He is well fitted for so important a post.

It is believed that the corps of teachers, superintendents and others attached to the Government Boarding Schools under our care, this year, are, as an average, a little better than for some years past.

It is interesting to know in connection with the whole work of the Society of Friends in this country for the Indians, that Friends of Philadelphia have built a new school house for their excellent Boarding School at Cattaraugus County, N. Y. and are about to enlarge the accommodations so as to take 10 boys and 25 girls instead of 30 in all as before. Lastly, our Friend

James M. Haworth, as United States Superintendent of Indian Education carries into his work that fidelity, thoroughness, sympathy with the Indian, and solid Christian character, which are so desirable in such an office.

The contributions of the members of this Yearly Meeting have been a valuable aid in the work of the Associated Committee.

The Lord has given Friends a place in this part of His harvest-field and has added His blessing to our unperishable efforts; so that we feel encouraged to persevere, expecting larger fruits from year to year. We commend the continuance of our usual appropriation to the Associated Education Committee.

Francis P. King

Baltimore 11th month 8th 1853.

James Carey Thomas

20 The proceedings of the Representative Meeting were read and approved.

21 The following reports from the Baltimore Association of Friends were read and approved, and the feeling was continued to further serve as may be further.

Report of the Baltimore Association of Friends, to advise and assist Friends at the South.

To the Yearly Meeting

The work of the Baltimore Association of Friends for the past year has been mainly directed to the enlargement of the Boarding School at New Garden, North Carolina. This is the accomplishment of what has always been a part of our plan of education at the South. The first step towards this was the action of the Yearly Meeting in its removal from New Garden to High Point, a growing town upon the leading Rail Road in the State, and the transfer by the large Meeting House at New Garden to the Trustees of the School. This was equivalent to a cash donation of \$12,000, by North Carolina Yearly Meeting, and a gratuity to the School, which had been turned into a great boarding house during the sessions of the Yearly Meeting.

The improvements consist in the conversion of the former brick meeting house into a three story building by placing another floor 15 feet above the other first without removing the roof. Its external appearance has been greatly improved by the removal of the porches and the addition of nine large windows on the north side and two on the south side. The rooms on the first floor will be devoted to school work. A hall 12 ft. wide extends 63 feet from the main entrance at the east end, opening into the collection and audience room which is 56 x 33 feet. On the right of the hall as you enter there are three class rooms each about 21 feet square, and on the left two of equal size and two more in the south extension. One of these is for the use of male day scholars and is furnished with stationery wash stands hat and cloak bins and a lunch table. The boys sleeping and study rooms will occupy the second and third floors.