

We feel the departure of J. Reudel Harris and his wife to be a great loss, for they manifested an earnest concern for our Meetings, and their public and private ministry was owned and blessed by the Lord.

Several social gatherings have been held on Fourth Day evenings, and a large number of our members have been brought together each time. Two members of our Committee have, this fall, opened a Meeting for their neighbors in the country on First Day evenings; the attendance is good, and the meetings are times of joy and Federal Hill. A series of meetings was held in last Eleventh month, at Federal Hill, by our Friends, Seth and Huldah Rice, and much interest was manifested.

The meetings have been well attended during the winter and spring, and we notice a growth in Christian character and a development of gifts amongst the members of that Meeting.

The death of John Marshall, who had been the pastor of the Mission building for seven years, and a zealous worker, has been a serious loss to the Meeting.

Washington - Washington Meeting has been visited six or eight times during the year. The way has not opened for a Meeting-house there, though a suitable place where some work under the care of the Meeting could be organized is much needed.

Ashton - Ashton has been visited four times, and appointed meetings held. At one of these visits, a conference was held with the members to consider the needs of the Meeting.

Potomac - Potomac has been visited by one member this year. The meeting continues small.

Deer Creek - Two visits have been made to Deer Creek and appointed meetings held each time. A large number of friends were in attendance at Quarterly Meeting in the Fifth month, and among them several members of the Pastoral Committee. A member of the Committee from Baltimore spent several weeks near Darlington in the summer, and attended the Meeting. A co-operating Committee, to assist the members of the Yearly Meeting's Pastoral Committee, has been appointed by Deer Creek Monthly Meeting.

Hopewell - Hopewell was visited in the First month. Five or six Meetings appointed, and most of the families

visited. Some members of the Pastoral Committee attended the Quarterly Meeting held in the Ninth month, and appointed several Meetings. A social Meeting has been held once a month on Fourth day morning in the Meeting-house, and some other work engaged in by members of the Pastoral Committee in this Meeting. The Monthly Meeting has appointed a Committee to assist the members of the Yearly Meeting's Pastoral Committee. The attendance of meetings has increased, and the religious interest deepened.

Loudoun Co. Six visits have been paid to our Friends in Loudoun Co during the year, in the First, Fifth, Ninth and Eleventh months. All the meetings held have been appointed, as there was no regular Meeting of our Society in the neighborhood. Social religious meetings were held during the winter and spring, at private houses on First day afternoon, in which there was a manifestation of earnest religious life.

We believe that the time has come when it would be proper to take steps for the re-establishment of the Meeting that lapsed during the war. Our Friends and those in sympathy with them were encouraged to meet together in a hall on First day afternoon, and steps have been taken to build them a Meeting house. A lot has been purchased, and sufficient money has been subscribed to warrant us in going on with plans and arrangements for building in the spring. There is a wide spread interest and awakening in this neighborhood, and we have reason to thank the Lord for what He has done for us in the past, and to look forward with hope and courage to enlargement and blessing in the future.

Richmond - Two series of meetings have been held at Richmond in the Second and Fifth months. Some members of the Pastoral Committee from Baltimore also attended the Half Year's Meeting, held at Richmond in the Tenth month, and two meetings were appointed. A social religious Meeting has been held pretty regularly since the first series of meetings at a private house.

Cedar Creek has been visited eight times by a member of the Yearly Meeting's Pastoral Committee, and a series of meetings was held there in Tenth month. A co-operating Committee has been appointed by this Meeting also.