

The burning of the principal building at the White's Institute, Iowa, induced that Government to close that school. It might have been possible to obtain the funds to rebuild this structure but the reduction of the allowance by the Government for each pupil to \$125 a year, and the probable further reduction to a rate of \$108 next year, will oblige the Associated Committee to extend aid to the Institute in Indiana, and it seems prudent first to ascertain whether we can sustain the Institute in Indiana thoroughly before rebuilding the one in Iowa.

For a succinct statement of the details of the work, we refer to the Annual Report of the Associated Executive Committee herewith submitted. Our responsibility to the two hundred Indians who have sought a religious home in the Society, and the manifold blessings from our Heavenly Father that have attended our endeavors in the past, make it a duty and a privilege to continue this service.

The Committee recommend that the Yearly Meeting should make the usual appropriation of \$1000 for the use of the Associated Executive Committee.

Francis T. King
James Carey Thomas

- 45 The Committee to propose the names of four Women Friends to represent this Yearly Meeting in the Representative Meeting, reported those of Julia Valentine, Mary M. Thomas, Jane C. White, Mary S. Edge and Margaret N. Elliott, which was approved by the Meeting, and they are accordingly appointed to that service.

- 46 The following report of the Temperance Committee appointed last year was read and approved by the meeting, and the Committee continued for further service.

Report of the Temperance Committee.

The Temperance Committee of Baltimore Yearly Meeting has held two meetings during the year. They have formed and printed a Constitution for the organization of a Temperance Society, to be known as "Friends Temperance Society of Baltimore Yearly Meeting," whose object shall be to educate public sentiment up to the standard of total abstinence by lectures, Gospel Meetings, distribution of literature, etc., and to work towards the suppression of the manufacture and sale of spirituous liquors.

The Committee have made an effort to carry out the directions of the last Yearly Meeting by securing the appointment of a co-ordinating Committee in each Monthly and Particular Meeting. This has been done in Baltimore, Black Creek, Schenck and Ashton Meetings. It is hoped that before our next Yearly Meeting each Monthly Meeting will have its Temperance Committee, and that our members generally will be enrolled in the Society.

Constitutions and enrolling tablets have been sent to each Particular Meeting, and letters written asking reports of the work. The responses to those letters show a very general interest in Temperance work, much of which however is carried on in connection with the Woman's Christian Temperance Union. In some of the smaller and more remote Meetings it has been deemed impracticable to attempt to form distinctive Temperance organizations, although all of the letters indicate a sincere sympathy with our new Society.

Baltimore Meeting has appointed a Monthly Meeting Committee and has formed a Temperance Society as a branch of the Yearly Meeting Society. A number of members have been enrolled and have paid 25 cents each into the local treasury. A Temperance Society has also been formed at Federal Hill Friends Mission, and active work begun there. A young people's Meeting at the Mission conducted for mutual help, has made total abstinence one of the articles of its membership. A juvenile society is also about to be formed.

Washington Meeting reports: No regular organization or formal enrollment of members.