

meetings and visiting families.

A series of fifteen meetings was held in First month, and eight family visits paid. Samuel C. Mills and two members of the Committee from Baltimore were in attendance. So great was the interest manifested, and such desire expressed for Friends to work among them, that it became apparent that a new field was opening up, and the importance of entering into it was dwelt upon by those who visited the neighborhood. It has since been visited by members of the Pastoral Committee from Deer Creek, Ashton and Baltimore in the First, Fourth, Fifth, Sixth, Seventh, Ninth and Tenth months. At each of these visits, two or three meetings were held, and families visited.

In the Seventh month, the few Friends living in this neighborhood, and others who had received blessing from the meetings held among them, decided to hold a Bible Class, followed by a devotional opportunity, every First day morning, in the parlor of a Friend's house. Since that time they have met, with one exception, regularly, and have realized the presence of the Lord with them.

Ashton. - Caroline C. Ballott spent several weeks in the Eleventh and Twelfth months in the neighborhood of Ashton, holding, as was observed, in different churches, and attending Friends' meetings every First day. She also visited all the families of Friends.

Samuel C. Mills attended their Monthly Meeting in First month, and had an appointed meeting that night, and paid several family visits. A number of members of the Pastoral Committee from the different Monthly Meetings attended the Quarterly Meeting held at Ashton in the Fourth month, and a series of meetings was held throughout the year following. At this time a number of families were visited. A member from Patuxent visited this meeting in the Tenth month, attending the First day morning meeting, and holding an appointed meeting at night. The Pastoral Committee of this Meeting has held two meetings as a Committee

during the year, and six social religious meetings at private meeting houses. Some of the young people of this meeting organized a Christian Fellowship Union in the winter, which has been carried on successfully. The First day School was organized during the winter, and is going on well; the only drawback being the need of an addition to the meeting house, Lincoln. - This meeting has been visited four times during the year in Twelfth, First, Fifth and Eighth months. A member of the Committee from Black Creek, spent several days at Lincoln in the Twelfth month, holding meetings and visiting families. In the First month a series of meetings was held, lasting ten days. Samuel C. Mills, and a member of the Pastoral Committee from Baltimore being in attendance. In the Eighth month a ten days visit was paid to this neighborhood by a member of the Committee from Baltimore, where two appointed meetings were held, and a number of families visited. A Children's meeting was also held at this time. The Pastoral Committee of this meeting has held meetings monthly during the year. The development of gifts in this Meeting, so lately organized, is encouraging, and we believe there is a living spring of ministry and teaching among the memberships.

Hopewell. - A member of the Pastoral Committee from Baltimore visited this meeting in the Eleventh month, and three parlor meetings were held.

Two members of the Committee from Lincoln helping in the work. Samuel C. Mills visited Hopewell in the First month, holding meetings at Friends' houses, and paying family visits. At the time of the Quarterly Meeting in Ninth month a number of the members of the Pastoral Committee from the different Meetings were in attendance, and two appointed meetings were held; also a meeting for Children.

Patuxent. - Two members of the Pastoral Committee from Ashton visited this meeting in Twelfth month. Samuel C. Mills was in the neighborhood for a few days in the Second month; visited most of the families, and held two parlor meetings. A member of the Committee from Baltimore visited the Meeting in Third