

when the communication from the Committee of Baltimore nearly alluding, informing them of our appointment to visit them, was explained to them, after which we addressed them in the following communication, to which they gave very particular attention.

Brothers, you will perceive by the letter which has just been read to you, that we are a deputation from the Society of Friends, to visit and take you by the hand on its behalf, and for the purpose of examining into your situation, and consulting with you upon the best means of being useful to you.

Brothers, your brethren the Society of Friends who hold their general council at Baltimore, and those who reside in the State of Ohio, are united together as the same people, and untill within a few years were one body, engaged in the endeavours that were then made to instruct and assist you, but being very remotely settled from each other, they now hold two general councils in every year, one at Baltimore, and one in the State of Ohio. In the work which is now going on in your town they are still united, and you will consider whatever we say to you, as coming equally from both.

Brothers, your brethren have long viewed with

sincere compassion the continual and rapid decrease of their red brethren, and they have been fully convinced that the mode of life which you and your fathers have pursued, must if continued in, perpetuate your sufferings, and finally lead to your total extinction from this country.

Brothers, we are firmly convinced that nothing can save you from this destruction, but an entire change in your manner of living, and a steady and industrious attention to your farms.

Brothers, we fully believe that the Great and good spirit is the common father of all the people upon this great Island, and indeed upon the whole earth, and that he views with disapprobation every disposition in the minds of his children to do each other harm. He is constantly disposed to do them good, and he approves of every effort which they make to do each other good. It is this opinion which has led your brethren from their homes and families, to visit you at this time, with the view of endeavouring to communicate to you the knowledge, which the Great spirit has given to them, and which they have found beneficial.

Brothers we have been very much gratified to find, as we passed through your town,