

Since its receipt on the 11th month last.

The interesting proposal, "that there be a suitable family placed among the Indians, a Superintendent and a school kept up regularly," also, "that there be building erected suitable for such an establishment," have particularly claimed the attention of this committee.

With these we agree, provided a sufficient amount of funds can be obtained.

We appreciate the philanthropic views presented in the plan, and rejoice in the belief that civility continues to prevail not only for the improvement of the Indian nations in the arts of civilized life, and in useful literary knowledge, but also that the principles of the Christian religion should be inculcated amongst them; as the latter depends in no inconsiderable degree, their efficient progress in the former; and particularly as regards the real enjoyments of civilized life.

Among the means of attaining this knowledge, none appears to us more important and interesting or better adapted than the frequent reading of the Holy Scriptures, accompanied by such instructions, as a well qualified Superintendent may be enabled to impart.

To carry into effect the plan in contemplation and to obtain the right to a sufficient quantity of

land, would require a considerable amount of funds. From information obtained, it appears probable that at least two thousand dollars would be required for the purpose of forming the establishment, and for its support for the first year, and to continue the same an annual appropriation of twelve to fifteen hundred dollars.

The circumstances of the funds of the Society applicable to this service, with the exception of the remains of the proceeds of the sale of Friends' establishment at Waukegan, being withheld from the Committee by persons in this city, who have been dissuaded by the Society, would make it necessary that recourse be had to annual subscriptions, to raise the sum required, which we fear under the present state of affairs would be a large amount than could readily be obtained for the service. The prospect is at least discouraging as regards our yearly meeting contributing its proportion of so large a sum annually. Yet we hope the time will come when the disinterested and benevolent views of the Society will be fully realized. Whilst we regret the want, at present, of adequate means, we desire the subject may continue to be one of interest,