

and that such relief be occasionally afforded to the Shawnees, as the funds at our disposal may enable us to extend to them." Signed on behalf of the Committee by David Cobb

On referring to the letter of the Secretary of War, dated "March 31. 1832," it appears to us that a well devised plan of proceedings to aid the Shawnee Indians, in promoting their civilization, if submitted to the Department might lead to an arrangement by which a portion of the "Civilization fund" might be placed at the disposal of the Committee of the several yearly meetings.

The Clerk is directed to furnish the Committee of Ohio with a copy of this minute.

Adjourned to meet at the house of David Cobb at 4 o'clock P.M. on the 11th of 9th month next.

At a Special meeting of the Committee on Indian Concerns held Baltimore 8th Mo 25. 1834
Present Seven members.

The following very acceptable communication was read, and the Clerk directed to transmit a copy thereof to the Committee of Ohio Yearly meeting, requesting them to give us their conclusions, with any information they may have to enable us to reply thereto.

To the Committee on Indian Affairs of Baltimore Yearly Meeting. Dear Friends,

At our late Yearly Meeting, the report of the Committee on Indian concerns which accompanied the Quilt from Ohio yearly meeting was read. It excited a lively feeling of interest in the minds of several friends; and before the close of the Meeting a Subscription was entered into; and nearly £300 sterling is subscribed.

The money is placed under the care of the Meeting for Sufferings, and we are requested as Correspondents of the several Yearly Meetings more immediately interested in the concern, should to open a communication with you upon the subject.

In doing this, it may be well to insert an extract from the heading of the Subscription, from which you will see that our friends have at heart, in the first place, the introducing to the objects of your care, a knowledge of the great truths of the Christian religion. "Subscriptions for the benefit of the Aborigines of North America, and especially for the Christian instruction and civilization of the Shawnee Indians, who have lately removed from the State of Ohio, to the West of the Mississippi, together with such other tribes as may be afterwards located in the same district; it being understood that their Christian instruction is the primary object which the Subscribers have in view."

In connexion with the purpose of our writing, we take the liberty of submitting that it is highly important that the children should be early made acquainted with the truths of the New Testament, and that through the care and instruction of a well qualified teacher, their tender minds should be imbued with the precepts of Christianity; - that they should be early taught the sinfulness of sin, and to look unto the Lord Jesus, as their Saviour from sin; and to follow the motions of his grace, and good Spirit in their hearts.