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charge of the conduct as early as the year 1797
a Deputation visited the Indian settlements as far
westward as the Sandusky River & returned by the
Head Waters of the Muskingum, they also gave
a Communication to the Wyandots on the Great Miami
& the Delawares on the Sandusky & subsequently furnish-
ed the Delawares with some Tools & implements of
Agriculture. The Pottawattamie & Miami Nations were
visited in 1804, and an establishment formed on
the Western River 32 miles South of West of Fort Wayne
where the Indians were instructed in agriculture,
by Members of our Society employed by the Committee
to reside among them for that purpose. This establishment
continued to flourish until 1812 when it was entirely
broken up by War & the Village burnt.

In the Year 1808

The Shawnee Tribe at Waukeganatoula applied for
assistance they were aided in building a Grind Mill
in 1811 & in 1813 an Establishment was formed
amongst them for the purpose of instructing them
further in the Arts of Civilization & for the education
of their Children: Two years afterwards Friends purchased
a Farm adjoining the Indian settlement to which
the Establishment was removed & the School con-
tinued under the care of our Superintendent & his
family with some interruptions beyond our con-
trol until the year 1832; In the School the Indian
Children of both Sexes were taught the Elementary
branches of a Common Education, The Boys were instructed

in the practical duties of farming to the extent of
Knitting, Sewing, Spinning, & especially in the business
of the family: The ordinary department of the children
& their improvement were highly satisfactory. During
the period under review the Shawnee were furnished
by Friends with Plows, & other necessary implements
instructed in the use of them, and assisted in various
kinds of Labour, The Indian women were provided
with Spinning wheels & also with Wood Flax &
other articles & instructions in such kinds of business
as was suitable for them; The older Indians were not
only pleased with the Education of their children
but they themselves made important advances in
the habits of Morality, industry, & economy; They
built themselves good beam Log houses, opened Farms,
introduced the Plow, raised considerable stock
& were greatly improved in habits of sobriety.

About this time (1832) the Shawnee sold their
Lands at Waukeganatoula to the United States &
removed beyond the Mississippi settling upon a
Tract of excellent land on the Kansas River near
the Western boundary of the State of Missouri distant
about 700 miles from Cincinnati;

A united Co-operation
between Baltimore & Ohio Yearly Meetings in relation
to the Cause commenced in 1816 & in 1821 it was
extended to Indiana (yearly Meetings from which time
to the present the active duties of the Cause have
been confided to the friends of Ohio & Indiana)