

we think that our three yearly meetings owe this to the reputation of Society and of the joint Indian Concern they having assumed the payment of the debt under consideration and which they are bound to provide for in some way. We therefore propose that the sum of \$300. be raised annually as a special appropriation to be considered a sinking fund applicable to the extinguishment of the debt to be collected by the three yearly meetings in their respective proportions.

We make this proposal to you as we are very doubtful whether the present annual subscription of the three yearly meetings can be to any sufficient degree relied upon as affording surplus means to pay off the debt, which under bearing interest must go on to accumulate and some mode is adopted to relieve the burden -

We hope you will take this subject into your serious notice & should be glad to receive from you the result of your deliberation.

Signed on behalf of the Committee of Indian Concerns of Baltimore Yearly Meeting held the 16th of the 3rd mo 1844 by

Richard H. Thomas, Clerk

Then adjourned to meet at the conclusion of our meeting for sufferings in 9th mo next.

At a Meeting of the Committee on Indian Concerns held 14th of 9th mo 1844 present 9 Members

The Clerk informed that the communication to the Committee of Ohio & Indiana Yearly Meetings had been forwarded to them substantially but that no answer had been received.

For King & Hugh Elderston & Richard H. Thomas were appointed to prepare a report of the condition of the concern to be laid before our next meeting.

A volume prepared by the Aborigines Committee of the Meeting for Sufferings of London Yearly Meeting entitled "Some account of the conduct of the Religious Society of Friends towards the Indian tribes in the Settlement of the Colonies of East & West Jersey and Pennsylvania with a brief narrative of their labours for civilization and Christian instruction of the Indians from the time of their settlement in America to the year 1843" Published by the Aborigines of the Meeting for Sufferings was received through the Indian Committee of New York Yearly Meeting & directed to be placed in our Clerk's hands for circulation among the members of the Committee.

Then adjourned to meet at the house of J. P. Fox on the 2nd day of Yearly Meeting week at 7 P. M.