

proportions of this sum to the Treasurer, James Whitall, 410 Race Street, Philadelphia.

A Meeting House is much needed at the Kaw Agency.

There are other constant demands for assistance in this work, and it could be extended to great advantage in some directions, were there funds for the purpose.

At their last meeting the Committee felt that it was due to General Grant, to tender him some expression of the high estimate Friends have placed upon the course of national conduct towards the Indians, devised by him, and which was so eminently marked by peace, honor, justice and Christian kindness. A brief address was sent to him several weeks before his decease conveying this sentiment, and stating some of the good results which have flowed from his plans, with an expression of sympathy with him in his declining health. His son, Colonel Grant, replying on his behalf wrote, "General Grant directs me to acknowledge your letter and to thank you for it. His policy was meant for the good of the Indians, and he is glad to hear that they are becoming good Christians."

The special impetus given to the cause of Indian civilization by General Grant's policy, has spent its force. New men are dealing with the problem, and new measures will be adopted. Encircled on all sides by white populations, the Indians *must* lay aside old habits and blend with the citizens of the country. They must work for self support. They must abandon all thought that turbulence and threats of violence will be tolerated by a mighty nation, accustomed to the reign of law. They must not let the land lie unused which millions seek to occupy, for the sustenance of themselves, and for the commerce of the world. They must abandon the nature-worship of their ancestors and embrace the truths of revealed religion which are brought to their knowledge. The alternative for them as seen by their best friends, is to perish, and to perish mis-

erably. We should not slack our hand to aid them now, but ask grace to continue to act a Christian part toward them, and to do all we may to lift them up into the light, the hope, the liberty and the outward blessings which the gospel imparts.

On behalf of the Committee,

JAMES E. RHOADS, *Clerk.*

BRVN MAWR, PENNA., Eighth Month 17th, 1885.