

Returning now to the Committee of Baltimore Early Meeting, we find that in 1799, having received a pressing invitation from the Wyandottes at Upper Sandusky, four of their number made them a visit and explained to them at length "the prospect and views of Friends relative to them" which they promised to bring before their General Council soon to be held, and to communicate the result.

In 1802 they reported conferences with Chiefs of the Miami Indians in which they entreated that Friends would aid them in their effort to get the Government to prohibit the introduction of spirituous liquors in their country.

The Committee having already observed the demoralizing effect of liquor upon the Indians, and that it was the chief obstacle in the way of ~~and~~ aiding them to a better life, decided to present a Memorial to Congress on the subject which was favorably received and a law passed ~~prohibiting the introduction of liquor into the~~ prohibiting the Indian traders from carrying any spirituous liquors amongst the Indians.

The Committee sent to their Indians some plows and tools, and strongly advised them to turn their attention to the cultivation of the soil.

In 1804 the Committee sent two of its members to visit their Miami Indians. They took with them a friend, who went prepared to spend some time with the Indians and instruct them in farming and the use of tools if they so desired.

After a long journey on horseback of more than 600 miles they reached Ft. Wayne, a military Post, and after a few days during which they had interviews with some of the Chiefs, it was arranged for them to open an establishment on the Wabash about 30 miles South West from Ft. Wayne, this location ~~has~~ having been fixed by the Indians.

The Manuscript Journal of one of their Friends, ~~attending~~ describing the incidents of this long and toilsome journey, and their several interviews with the Indians, with full reports of the speeches made in the Councils, is of unusual interest, and affords most convincing evidence of the deep concern and interest felt by them in the welfare of the Indians.

This establishment was continued by the Committee with success, and much promise of usefulness to the Indians, until ~~the~~ the war of 1812, during which it was broken up and the building burned.