

superintendent the arrival of goods that had been forwarded was then read and approved. A copy is here annexed.

Our friend Mr. White of Cincinnati then gave us a very interesting account of the sufferings of Slaves in East Tennessee. He stated, that there were two free prisoners belonging to New Hope Meeting, that they were in a great state of destitution, many being without suitable clothing and feet were sore without even shoes. That the sum of \$1500 had been raised in Ohio for their relief, even had been carefully expended but that it was inadequate. The Committee previously appointed was directed to consider the claims of these friends when our Association was to report at the next meeting.

Our friend Ashmun Lee of N.C. then spoke as to the condition of the Slaves in his State. He informed us that the distress did not extend to the neighborhood from which he came, but that lower down the river had suffered the loss of nearly everything having both Shermans and Johnsons resided in that vicinity. He then read several letters detailing the case of friends who had been persecuted for refusing to serve arms, some of whom embrace the most painful tortures rather than surrender their religious principles, reminding us most forcibly of the state of the Christian Martyrs.

After a pleasant interchange of views, the meeting adjourned to meet at Dr. Thomas on the evening of the 29th at eight o'clock.

Love & respect to
Sister Mary

Report of Richard M. January.

I left Baltimore 24th day at 3 P.M. 420 1865 for Norfolk with clothing shoes &c. for our friends of Gloucester Quarterly Meeting N.C. At Norfolk I was joined by Sarah & Emily and left there on the 26th for Steamship "Humboldt", laid by nearly 24 hours at Roanoke Island on account of a severe storm, reaching our destination at the N.W. 4th day.

Breakfasted with Capt James Superintendent of Magazines, who kindly promised to do everything in his power to forward the provisions &c. which had given by sea. Left at 9 A.M. same day for Cape Fear. Delisted on arriving there at one o'clock. Finding it impossible to obtain a conveyance to the settlement of friends 6 miles distant, we applied to the District Doctor, who promptly ordered a two horse ambulance - imagine our surprise & happiness when we were surrounded by an escort of 12 Cavalry men. We reached Mrs. Kaitow's that evening at 6 o'clock - he and his family were overjoyed to see us, and there was almost a continuous expression of gratitude in finding they had not been forgotten by friends; they were well. This family has been stripped of almost everything - bacon, lard, corn, weaving apparatus, bedding, horses, carts and so on and many other friends, members of house and tabernacle meetings, have shared the same fate. They are living upon rations furnished by the U.S. Government, which has also given them a horse and mule to put in their cart.

Went to Aunt P. Morris' with Mrs. Kaitow. They have six children, found her wife sick, with an infant six days old, quite pale with nothing but the warmest food; sent them tea, chocolate and crackers. The country is completely devastated.