

in maintaining their testimony against war made a deep impression on Francis T. King and convinced him that with proper encouragement and aid a strong Yearly Meeting might again be built up. Emigration to the West had begun as soon as the way was open through the lines of the hostile armies - Hundreds of Friends reached Baltimore in a destitute condition and it was to provide for them that the "Baltimore Association of Friends to advise and assist Friends of the Southern States" was organized in 1865 under the leadership of Francis T. King. At first its efforts were turned to relieving physical distress and to stop the unwise emigration; then to establish schools, to introduce improved methods of agriculture, to encourage first day schools and meetings, and finally to aid in raising New Garden Boarding School to the collegiate standard, which it afterward reached, as Guilford College. - This work covering a period of more than twenty years was pre-eminent due to Francis T. King under the blessing of God. - But for the wisdom and tact, energy and enthusiasm, perseverance

and hard work, all combined that he threw into the cause, it could never have been crowned with such success. He visited North Carolina more than thirty times, often for weeks together; he attended nearly every Yearly Meeting in America and Great Britain more than once in behalf of this cause and it was largely through his earnest efforts, his often times eloquent addresses, backed by the universal confidence in his ability and integrity that more than \$125,000. was contributed by Friends to the Association of which Francis T. King was the head - No one not familiar with the work could form a correct idea of the amount of labor and thought involved. Copies of only the more important letters were preserved and they are enough to fill a volume -

The result of these years of labor by the Baltimore Association was that much physical suffering was relieved, many families were saved from financial ruin by judicious loans; improved methods of agriculture were introduced, a complete system of education