

6. At a Meeting of Friends Association
for visiting the Penitentiary held 11th Mo
9th Friends present.

With two exceptions, the Prison has
been visited since we last met - one -
the work of our ~~yearly~~ Meeting - the other
on account of rain. The prisoners have
been very orderly and attentive and
the reports of the Matron and Warden
of their conduct during the summer
are favorable and encouraging. It has
been long since any have been in confinement
and the present Warden appears to be a
kind and feeling man having the
good of the prisoners much at heart.
The Matron has been civil and obliging
and we have been gratified with
the pains she has taken to procure homes
for those about to leave, for many of
whom she has succeeded in obtaining
excellent situations. Two women
have been dismissed since our last
meeting and two have been received
both of them invalids - one suffering
with an affection of the eyes which
unfits her for work - the other has a very
severe cough and other symptoms of consumption.

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The Committee appointed to visit
the Prison occasionally during the
week, having no report to offer were
continued -

Matilda Read Mary Minter
and Hannah Lytle were named
to visit next month -
A desire was expressed that friends
should endeavor to keep more closely to the
business of the meeting instead of diverging
to other matters; and that we endeavor
to labor in this work under a feeling
of religious concern for the spiritual
welfare of the poor prisoners: and not to
be discouraged because the labors
are few, or because little fruit appears,
believing that if we engage in it with
commission and authority, seeking
divine help, our labors will indeed be
blessed - and that, altho we may not
know at what moment the seed sown
may come forth and take root, yet assured
that it will not return unto us void,
The meeting adjourned
H Lytle Secy