

At a Meeting of Friends Association
for visiting the Penitentiary held
11th Mo 23rd

A friend informed this meeting that altho, in consequence of the small number present, and from other causes there had not been a meeting of the committee, nor any regular appointment of visitors since the summer recess - the prison has been visited for the last month by several friends who have volunteered their services. The number of convicts is now large and never we think a more degraded class - the field of labor is a most arduous one and we would again most earnestly urge upon the attention of our friends some other more efficient mode of visiting them, than for the last year has been the case. From public health and other causes the number of the active members of our committee has much declined, and we are sorry to believe, with others, the interest has abated - and we would suggest whether it would not be better to invite the co-operation of others - or to resign the undertaking to more efficient laborers. Some change is necessary, and we do not

think it would be well to abandon the school - as the door may then be closed against future efforts - The subject was left for future decision and E Hopkins and M Brooks were named to visit next month.

adjourned H Lytle Secy

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12th Mo 28th 10 Friends present -

The meeting was informed that the visiting had been very irregularly attended to during the past month - several omissions having occurred in attendance at the Prison. This is cause for great regret and, the importance, that those who consent to have their names placed upon the visiting list, should feel the responsibility of providing substitutes when presented themselves - was strongly urged upon the committee. The number of prisoners is large - their condition very debased and without earnest and active labor, little good can be hoped for. The subject presented at our last meeting of devising some means by which the committee may be enlarged and a more