

work was commenced - and thro many difficulties and many discouragements we have struggled on - feeling at times that there was scarcely strength sufficient with us to pursue it - yet loathe to relinquish it - How far success has attended our labors we cannot know - little fruit is apparent - yet we trust it has not been all in vain -

If, upon individual self-examination we can assure ourselves that we "have done with our might," whatsoever our hands have found to do "according to our ability and opportunity; we may be comforted in remembering, that we are not responsible for results but only for the faithfulness and diligence, with which we labor in any duty allotted us -

It is to be regretted that the meeting for which this report was prepared, was not held, previous to the discontinuance of the visits for the summer, as some plan might have been devised for having an occasional oversight of the prisoners, and some care taken of those about to leave.

Virginia Johnson, the young woman of whom especial notice was made

in the report - was dismissed during the summer recess, and we have no knowledge of her -

The Secretary informed the meeting that during the summer most of the friends who visit the prison were absent, and as the visits were early discontinued; for four months; these poor creatures, had no care bestowed upon them by the committee, either on first day or during the week - and, altho this has been in some measure, unavoidable - yet it makes us sorrowfully feel, our great poverty and weakness - and the urgent necessity for some more constant and active effort in our labors amongst them -

The subject of devising some plan for enlarging our visiting committee - has been repeatedly brought before the meeting without coming to any decision - but the time seems to have arrived - when we should either relinquish the work into more efficient hands - or solicit the cooperation of others - if we would conduct it with any hope of success -

With all the aids we can throw around us, there are hinderances in the way to discourage the most sanguine - resulting from the present crowded state of