

with respect to devising some means for enlarging our committee, or placing the work in more efficient hands — than merely to grant to the visiting committee the privilege of calling to their aid, any of their friends: — and, in this connection it may be satisfactory to the meeting to be informed, that since resuming our labors this fall — the committees have been sufficiently large — and an earnest and active interest manifested in the work —

Ann Scholfield, Margaret White May Martin and Mary Ann Metten were appointed visitors for next month —

The Meeting adjourned
H. Lytle Secy

At A Meeting of Friends Association for visiting the Penitentiary held 12th mo 13th fourteen friends present —

The visiting committee offered the following report —

The convicts have been regularly visited during the past month. Notwithstanding the uncomfortable and crowded state of the prison three more have lately been sent there; Josephine Webb, aged fourteen

and sentenced for ¹⁸ fourteen years charged with being accessory to the murder of her mistress — M. W. for theft, colored also — and Agnes Boyle for theft — sentenced for 18 months — The number is thus swelled to 34; of these 29 are colored. But two of them can read intelligibly some are learning to read in words of one syllable, and some have yet to learn the alphabet —

There are four babies amongst them, these have to be consigned to the hospital where eight of the convicts sleep.

A disturbance arose a few weeks ago, between some of the prisoners and the matron, and Margaret Knox who has hitherto been one of the most promising, in a fit of passion struck the matron several blows — for which she was punished, and then put in one of the lower cells for solitary confinement ten days. She is one who was much awakened to religious conviction last winter, & professed a change of heart: until this time she had conducted herself remarkably well. Some of the others have also been punished for fighting.