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Whilst engaged in our labours of pity and sympathy with the poor benighted inmates of the prison houses, we have been furnished with a comfortable evidence of being in our right place, and occupied according to appropriate duty. We are encouraged to believe, that as our eye is kept single to Him from whom come all our supplies of light and strength for every good word and work, we may hope to be made instrumental in turning some poor guilty soul from "the law of sin and death" to "the law of the spirit of life in Christ Jesus."

The conduct of the prisoners has been very satisfactory, evincing a lively interest in the reading of the Scriptures, and close attention to the counsel and religious instruction which we have felt authorized to impart. They remain to be very attentive to their lessons, and manifest an anxiety to progress. We think it is evident that there has been an improvement in their moral condition, as well as some amelioration of their physical sufferings since our lot has been cast among them.

May it be our united concern, as ability is given, to direct them to the convictions and strivings of the Spirit of Truth in their own hearts, as to that which can alone lead them to repentance and the forsaking of sin.

Sarah Savage.

Hannah Atkinson.

Rachel Brown.

Hannah Ann Lyon.

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Margaret Weston, Phoebe Thomas, Mary Ann Brewster and Elizabeth Theng are appointed to visit the Penitentiary next month.

A letter from Anne Allegood, one of the colored convicts, was read, which is as follows.

August the 8th 1847.

Kind and much beloved teacher; I thank you all for your attention and care towards me in this house. I feel much indebted to you all, and much in favor of the society and I do hope your labours may not be lost on me in particular. I am now about to launch out again into the wide world where I know are many temptations. Oh I do hope that you all will remember me that I may be kept from every evil that might befall me. I feel a strong disposition to secure my steps by the help of the Lord. I feel very sensible that I cannot do it myself, but I hope by your aid and his grace I shall be enabled to overcome. I hope the Lord will bless you all and reward you in all your labours.

I truly remain your unworthy
Sister Anne Allegood.

The time for which she Clerk was chosen having expired, Elizabeth Theng is reappointed to that service.

The Association being informed that new books are needed by the convicts, Phoebe Thomas & Mary Ann Brewster are requested to purchase such as are required out of the donations sent from Boston.

Then adjourned.