

all being provided for ⁶⁰ no care devolves upon the committee excepting for Margaret Reilly. Jane Dunne who will be released during the summer, begged the committee would get a home for her, expressing her gratitude for their kindness, & promising she would try to do well.

H A Tyson, M Cheston, Julia Wilson, Phoebe Thomas, H Atkinson & J Hopkins are named to visit during the next month.

The time for which the secretary was appointed having expired, E J King is released by her own request, and Hannah Lytle appointed to act in her place.

Then adjourned

E J King Secy

At a meeting of Friends Association for visiting the Penitentiary held 13th of 4th mo. - Nine friends present -

The following report was presented by the visiting committee.

The committee have found it necessary to exercise rather more than their usual degree of care over the poor females, during the past month, owing to some little unsettlement among them, from the almost entire change of subordinate officers in the

Penitentiary and the discharge of ⁶¹ six women. We think the new Matrons coincide quite a disposition to cooperate with us in our plans for the improvement of the convicts, & trust we shall find in her a useful coadjutor. Three of the women were in their cells at our last visit and Margaret Caton had been ten days in confinement, it was urged both upon the Warden & Matron the importance of keeping her separate from the rest, allowing her, the usual amount of food and work, to which suggestions they promised to attend.

The injurious effect of their snuff taking has been repeatedly before us, and at our last visit the way seemed to open to introduce the subject to them; the names of those who were willing to give it up were taken, & all with one exception consented to make the trial; we promised them some small present and it is with the association to say of what it shall consist - we would also request them again to take into consideration the expediency of making them some reward for good conduct. Some Extract of Valerian & Calamus root were taken out to supply for a time, the want caused by the disuse of snuff.

Of the discharged convict Margaret