

A Stated Meeting for Sufferings held in Baltimore 10th Mo 21st 1871. present 18 Members and our friend Samuel S. Ritchie of Indiana Yearly Meeting.

The Committee on the Division of the Yearly Meetings properly made the following report which was satisfactory to the Meeting and the Committee was continued - It is as follows

To the Meeting for Sufferings.

The Committee upon the Division of the Property of the Yearly Meeting report that they have had an interview with the Committee of Lombard Street Meeting and expect to complete the Settlement this winter by each party selecting an umpire & these two a third one, whose decision upon the value of the Lombard Street House, shall be final - No money received within the past year on behalf of the Committee

Wiley White

Francis T. King -

Balt. 10th Mo 10. 1871

The Committee on Indian Affairs reported that some of the Committee had attended all the Meetings of the Associated Committees - The responsibility and labor of that Committee have been great. The printed Annual Report of the Associated Committees details the present condition of the Work. and is directed to be placed on our Minutes as follows - See end of this vol.

The Committee was continued - and was authorized to provide alternates in case of the Committee being unable to attend the Meetings of the Associated Committees, and the Clerk of this Meeting was directed to furnish a minute to that effect.

The Committee on the Colored Population made the following report which was satisfactory to the Meeting & the Committee was continued to further labor as way may open.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE UPON COLORED POPULATION.

The number of Public Schools for colored children in Baltimore is the same as last year, thirteen, but with a small increase of pupils. The studies are the same as in the regular Grammar and Primary Schools, and the grade of scholarship is improving. The want of suitable school houses, however, is a great drawback to the attendance, the School Board hopes to remedy this difficulty in the course of the next year.

No. of pupils on roll the past year in the 13 schools	1,677
Average attendance	1,128
No. in school during the year	2,939
Expenses, including books and stationery	\$26,678.68
Amount appropriated by the city for next year	30,000.00

The Legislature was not in session last year, but we hope to memorialize it again this winter on behalf of the

education of the freedmen of the counties. There is no aid by the State to colored county schools, yet the colored people themselves support a few schools in each county.

The Colored Normal School was reopened last month under most favorable circumstances. The corps of teachers, one principal and four assistants, is very effective, and the attendance greater than last year at this period.

The Normal Class, 43; Grammar, 59; Intermediate, 30; Model, 41; total, 173, average attendance of 150.

The expenses of the Normal the past year were \$4,432.15; receipts from pupils, \$1,657.72; and from the Richardson & Wells funds, \$400; deficiency, \$2,374.43 - this amount is due the treasurer and will have to be collected.

This corporation owns a fine building upon an eligible lot in the centre of the city; the charter is perpetual. Several of the Trustees and the President of the Board are members of our religious society. Its usefulness could be largely increased if it had more income, and we commend it to the liberality of friends and others, especially to such as wish to remember the Freedmen in their wills. The demand for qualified teachers at the South is very great, and we know of no better way to meet this demand than to enlarge and promote Normal schools.

A general review of the past year leads us to the conclusion that the Freedmen of the South are steadily and hopefully advancing in education and industry, and that there is an open and extensive field for Christian labor among them.

RICHARD M. JANNEY,
JAMES CAREY,
FRANCIS T. KING.

10th Month, 21, 1871.

The following extract from the Minutes of Virginia Half Year's Meeting was directed to be placed on our Minutes.

The Committee, in charge of Friends Orphans' Asylum for the Colored Children in Richmond, Virginia, believing the right time had come to invite the colored people to take part in the management of the Orphan House, addressed to the different Churches of Richmond and Manchester the following circular letter: