

the subject of temperance with Sab. Schools amongst the Indians; appears to me highly important and the most effectual way of promoting the cause amongst them. For the instruction will be more likely to do good and be remembered and the children will become little preachers of temperance perhaps to drunken parents. Upwards of one hundred & fifty of different ages have united with the Soc. since its formation; but our patience has often been tried by the members transgressing its rules, still a large majority have kept their promise sacredly.

The reasoning of a church member in order to ascertain whether he was a christian.

19th. Sab. eve. One man Timothy J. arose in the meeting and in view of what he had been hearing of the strait gate and narrow way says, "Sometimes I think I am not a christian, because I am guilty of so many sins. But then I do have a love for the children of God, which I do not have for any body else; and when I hear of their falling away I am very sorry. But when I hear of others who are not christians committing the same sins I do not feel so. I think that is their nature, still I have a concern for them. Now I think that if I was not a christian why did I not have these feelings before? I know that I never felt so before, and it does appear to me if I did not love our Lord Jesus Christ I should not feel as I do."

June 3d. Attended the annual meeting of the foreign Missn. Assn. It was addressed by the school Teacher Mr. Stevens. This Soc. was formed two years ago, and last year upwards of twenty dollars were raised in aid of the funds of the A[merican] B[oard]. Probably more will be realised this year as there appears to be an increasing spirit of benevolence amongst them. A few days afterwards at the close of a meeting Sally H. came to me and with tears says I want to join the benevolent Soc. (meaning the Miss. Soc.) I was sorry I did not understand when it was going to meet. Last year I gave six dollars but this year I want to give twelve, because I want to have the gospel sent to the Indians who are destitute of it."