

be assisted by the Indians. We also observed, that after their corn was planted, we were willing to believe *they* would be able to manage it themselves; should a second ploughing however be necessary, we directed this also to be done. This person was also desired to prepare for them a garden of the most useful vegetables, which *they* might afterwards easily manage.

The committee have since received his answer to this letter, in which he says, " he will lose no time in complying with their request, and that he will at all times be ready to put the benevolent concern of Friends, towards the Indians, in execution." He also says, " that at this time, a spirit of industry exists amongst the Indians generally; and that, as several of the tribes, had requested of government, to have a part of their annuities expended in the employment of men, to split rails, and make fences for them; the *Delawares* had twenty-three thousand rails put up into fences, the last winter; and that forty-thousand more would be made into fences for the *Miamie* and