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Mission Family

- 1st It shall be the duty of the Helper at the Mission House to tell the family to get up Morning & Evening for family Prayers in the Morning at the Hour of and in the Evening at the Hour of and it shall be the duty of him to oversee the whole Mission family to direct the Men to their Labor and see that the Rules for the government of the family be attended and if any ~~disorderly~~ disorderly and will not be improved he shall report the same to the Superintendent. Who shall ~~attend~~ attend to the case.
- 2^d It shall be the duty of the Helper's wife to take the oversight of the female Department and to give Directions to them of what Labor they are to perform also to direct in making Cloths for the Children. and to see that nothing is wanting to make them comfortable and if there is to make a Report of to the Sup^t.
- 3^d It shall be the duty of the Helper & his wife to fix the times of Eating and as near as possible to have Meals regular. to oversee the Cloaths & Beds & Bed Clothing of the Children & report the same at least once a quarter to the Sup^t.
- 4th It shall be the duty of the Male Teachers to take up School at 9. O'Clock in the Morning to sit out at 12 to take up at a half past two and sit out at four to be particular to see that all the Children under their care

pays strict attention to school hours except
those children whose turn it is to work out
on the farm or in the kitchen and there shall
for the time being be under the control of
the Helper or his wife that in the intervals
of school the female teacher shall keep the
girls employed in knitting sewing spinning
or at other branches of business as she may
be advised of by the Helper or wife that sd.
school mistress has nothing to do with the
hired girls in directing them as they are
employed under the control of the Superintendent
and she shall see that the children under
her care attend family prayer & meeting
on the Sabbath and furnish them books well
that she shall have the control of clothing for
their labor but for the signing to each child their
labor and of attending to their cloth & cleanliness
and if any thing is wanting for their benefit either
in books Reading or the want of Medicine she
shall report the same to Superintendent
and shall not permit any of the children under
her care to go home or to school without
her consent or the consent of the Helper or his
wife & that ~~not~~ for a longer time than a
week without reporting the same to the
Superintendent: That the Male Teacher shall
see that the Boys under his care attend regularly
to family prayer and meeting on the Sabbath
he shall examine into their cleanliness their cloth
Reading & their want of Medicine and shall
report the same he shall see that the Boys
appointed to labor go to their work and shall
give his Mutual cooperation with the Helper

in their performing of the Duties assigned
then He shall Clop his Boys to perform
the Duties assigned them and to suffer none of
the Boys to go home or absent them selves
with out his Consent or the Consent of assistant
or his wife and that not longer than a week
at a time with out the Reporting the same to the
Supt. The Teachers Wife shall Cooperate
with the female Department in the family
and shall aid in Sewing for the family when
her health & time will permit

5th That all of the Hired young men
shall that they conform to the order of the
family by attending our family Prayers &
none shall use any bad Language nor Exercise
any angry Passion nor shall they be permitted
to Menaunt on the Sabbath Day but attend
Devine worship nor shall any young man be
permitted after Dark to enter the female
End of the House in less than have some business
and then retire immediately the whole family
shall retire to Bed before or at ten clock
and shall rise before or at five - if in health
there shall be no Disturbing quarrelling or
Backbiting or Raising either or out of the
family any Person so offending and will not
be reprov'd shall be Expell'd from the family
on Complaint & Conviction thereof - to the
Supt.

6th Every Member (un less sick) shall attend
their Regular Meals and shall not be permitted
after the Kitchen is shut or Milk House to

Go into it without the leave of the
Helper or his wife and any Person violating
this shall I will no Dist shall on Complaint
& Conviction thereof be Dismissed

The Schools shall be kept on Every Day in
the week except Saturday ~~the~~
of which shall be for the use of the Deacons

Wm. Smith

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