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## MINUTES OF THE MEN'S MEETING.

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1. At the Yearly Meeting of Friends for New England, held at Newport. R. I., commencing on Sixth-day Sixth Month 10th, 1892.

2. By the Reports received from our several Quarterly Meetings, it appears that the following named Friends have been appointed Representatives to this Meeting, viz :—

FROM RHODE ISLAND — Samuel R. Buffinton, Henry C. Aydelott, William T. Collins, Robert P. Gifford, Daniel Meader, Augustine Jones, John F. Chace, Obadiah Chace, Herbert A. Skinner, Benjamin Greene, Charles A. Chace, Joseph S. Anthony, Robert B. Hanson and William H. Beale.

FROM SALEM — Joseph Cartland, William O. Newhall, Peter M. Neal, George L. Crosman, Owen Dame, George C. Herbert, Walter B. Allen, Daniel C. Maxfield, Stephen R. Rogers, Allen P. Aldrich, Olney T. Meader, Cyrus Jones, Lebbeus Hill, Ezra Hawkes, Charles H. Atkins, William F. Vining and George A. Crosman.

FROM SANDWICH — Gideon Wood, Edward G. Dillingham, Ephraim Gifford, Thomas F. Haffard, Arnold G. Tripp, David Kelley, George C. Aiken, Joshua L. Macomber, Benjamin H. Kirby, William P. Macomber, John A. Macomber, John B. Baylies and Joseph Ewer.

FROM FALMOUTH — John J. Frye, Charles W. Goddard, William P. Pinkham, Charles M. Jones, George H. Farr, Lucius C. Dunham and Edward C. Jones.

FROM SMITHFIELD — Isaac Steere, Richard Battey, John Metcalf, Sylvester S. Aldrich, James G. Arnold, D. Wheeler Swift, David B. Wheeler and Thomas A. Wheeler.

FROM VASSALBORO — Alfred H. Jones, William A. Jones, James M. Estes, Rufus M. Jones, Henry H. Goddard and John A. Frye.

FROM DOVER — Timothy B. Hussey, Samuel Buffum, John H. Osborne and Daniel F. Jenness.

FROM FAIRFIELD — I. Warren Hawkes, Isaac Winslow, David J. Douglas, Jesse McPherson, Paul Wing, Joseph E. Briggs and Levi Jones.

FROM PARSONFIELD — Silas H. Cartland, Joseph S. Remick and John B. Cartland.

Whose names being called they were present, except seven, for the absence of five of whom sufficient reason was assigned.

3. We have at this time the acceptable company of our beloved friend, George Grubb, a minister with satisfactory credentials from Cork Monthly Meeting, held First Month 7th, 1892, Munster Quarterly Meeting, held the 11th of First Month, and the Foreign Service Committee of Dublin Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders held in Dublin the 9th of Second Month, 1892.

4. We have also the acceptable company of the following beloved friends from American Yearly Meetings, viz.; Seneca H. Stevens, Fernando G. Cartland, Harry R. Keats, and Edward G. Wood from New York Yearly Meeting; David E. Sampson from North Carolina Yearly Meeting; John Carey from Indiana Yearly Meeting; Wm. G. Johnson from Western Yearly Meeting; John F. and Alice Hanson, William L. Pearson, and George N. Hartley from Iowa Yearly Meeting; who produced certificates from their respective meetings, expressive of unity with them and with their present religious engagements amongst us.

5. We have read at this time a minute from our friends Clark M. and Esther P. Terrell from Oskaloosa Monthly Meeting, Iowa, he being an Elder and she a member of that Monthly Meeting. Also one from Emma Sampson an Elder and companion to her husband David E. Sampson, and Lindley M. Carey a member of Fairmount Quarterly Meeting, and companion to his father, John Carey, who are acceptably in attendance of this Meeting.

6. The subject of furnishing our friends in attendance of this Meeting from other Yearly Meetings with returning minutes, if way should open for it, is referred to the following named Friends:

Joseph Cartland, Charles W. Earle, William P. Pinkham, Jesse McPherson, Samuel R. Buffinton, Daniel C. Maxfield, and Rufus M. Jones, who are requested to unite with a similar committee of women friends and report at a future sitting.

7. Epistles have been received at this time from all the Yearly Meetings with which we correspond except Canada. We have also received one from the Monthly Meeting at Ramallah. Those from London of 1891, Dublin, New York, Baltimore, and North Carolina were now read, the reading of the remaining ones is deferred to another sitting.

8. We appoint a committee to propose at our next sitting a Committee on Correspondence as follows, viz. : Joseph H. Atwater, Daniel C. Maxfield, John B. Baylies, Charles M. Jones, D. Wheeler Swift, John A. Frye, Samuel Buffum, Joseph E. Briggs, and John B. Cartland.

9. All our Quarterly Meetings report that they have paid or directed their treasurers to pay to the Treasurer of this Meeting their proportions of stock called for last year.

10. We appoint Robert P. Gifford, Owen Dame, Edward T. Tucker, John J. Frye, Isaac Steere, William A. Jones, William P. Tuttle, Joseph E. Briggs, and Silas H. Cartland a committee to audit and settle the accounts of the Treasurer to the present date; to propose a sum of money to be raised, sufficient to defray the expenses of the Meeting the ensuing year; and to propose a Friend for treasurer, also to propose a Friend for treasurer of Providence School, and another Friend for treasurer of Oak Grove Seminary.

11. We appoint William P. Macomber, Charles H. Atkins, Charles W. Goddard, Rufus M. Jones, and John Metcalf, a committee to prepare a summary of the answers to the queries and present it at a future sitting.

12. The Committee of Arrangements now under appointment make the following proposition to the Yearly Meeting :—

The Committee of Arrangements at their Meeting, Sixth Month 9th, were united in proposing that a Committee on Nominations of Committees be appointed as follows :—

The Representatives at their Meetings for nomination of Clerks are requested to report the name of one Friend from each Quarterly Meeting, of men and women respectively, selected by the action of each Quarterly Meeting's Representatives in separate Conference, and the united list thus chosen to constitute the permanent Committee to whom all nominations are to be referred during the sessions of the Yearly Meeting.

By direction of the Committee,

CHARLES M. JONES, *Chairman.*

13. The following changes have occurred in our several Quarterly Meetings during the past year as reported in their accounts to this Meeting, viz.: —

*Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting* reports that it has united with Rhode Island Monthly Meeting in acknowledging the gift and approving the public ministry of John S. Kimber. Solomon R. Knowles, an Elder and member of Greenwich Monthly Meeting, died Sixth Month 8th, 1890, aged 82 years, 9 months, and 15 days. William Jacob, a Minister and member of Rhode Island Monthly Meeting, died Twelfth Month 31st, 1891, aged 63 years and 14 days. Thomas Harkness, an Elder and member of Providence Monthly Meeting, died Second Month 12th, 1892, aged 92 years, 10 months, and 10 days. Thomas J. Battey has been appointed correspondent of Providence Monthly Meeting in place of Thomas Harkness, deceased; address 109 Lippitt Street, Providence, R. I. That it has united with Swansey Monthly Meeting in changing the time of holding that Meeting from 11 o'clock A. M. to 1.30 P. M.

*Salem Quarterly Meeting* reports that it has united with Salem Monthly Meeting in the appointment of Sylvina A. Manning and Martha C. Jepson to the station of Elder; and that it has appointed five associate members of the Meeting on Ministry and Oversight. Lydia P. Chase, an Elder and member of Salem Monthly Meeting, died Eighth Month 25th, 1891, aged 74 years, 8 months, and 11 days. Alvina Andrews, an Elder and member of Boston Monthly Meeting, died Fourth Month 4th, 1892, aged 67 years and 17 days.

*Sandwich Quarterly Meeting* reports that the Meeting for worship at Falmouth from the 1st of the Fifth to the 1st of the Tenth Month is now held on both First and Fifth days at 10.30 A.M. George Howland, Jr., an Elder and member of New Bedford Monthly Meeting, died Second Month 18th, 1892, aged 85 years, 3 months, and 29 days. Gideon Wood has been appointed correspondent of New Bedford Monthly Meeting in place of George Howland, Jr., post office address, New Bedford, Mass.

*Falmouth Quarterly Meeting* reports that it has united with Falmouth Monthly Meeting in the appointment of Emma C. Pinkham, John J. Frye, and Myra E. Frye to the station of Elder, and with Durham Monthly Meeting in the appointment of William P. Davis and Josiah B. Holder to the same station. Susan B. Sisson, a Minister and member of the same Meeting, has removed to reside within the limits of Iowa Yearly Meeting. Patience Goddard, an Elder and also a member of the same Meeting, died Twelfth Month, 19th, 1891, aged 78 years, 3 months, and 4 days. That it has united with Windham Monthly Meeting in the appointment of Charles A. Nichols, Ellen C. Nichols, L. Maria Jones, and Elizabeth H. Cook, to the station of Elder. Silas F. Strout, a Minister and member of the same Meeting, has removed out of the limits of this Yearly Meeting. Esther Nichols, an Elder, also a member of the same Meeting, died First Month 6th, 1892, aged 83 years and 10 days. A Monthly Meeting has been established at Lewiston, Me., to be known as Lewiston Monthly Meeting, to be held at 7 o'clock P. M. on Third day following the second Fifth day in each month except the Sixth Month, when it is to be held at the same hour on Third day, following the third Fifth day. Correspondent Josiah B. Holder; post office address, 205 College Street, Lewiston, Me. This Meeting has granted a Preparative Meeting on Ministry and Oversight in Falmouth Monthly Meeting, to be held at Portland, Me., at 2 P. M., on Fourth day before the third Fifth day in the First, Fifth, and Tenth Months, and on Third day before the third Fifth day in the Eighth Month; and that Windham Preparative Meeting on Ministry and Oversight be held at 2 P. M. on the third Fifth day in the First, Fifth, Eighth, and Tenth Months, at Windham.

*Smithfield Quarterly Meeting* reports that George S. Southwick, an Elder and member of Uxbridge Monthly Meeting, died Third Month 28th, 1892, aged 79 years and 30 days; Reuben A. Wheeler, an Elder and member of Bolton Monthly Meeting, died Ninth Month 14th, 1891, aged 68 years, 3 months, and 23 days; David Babcock, an Elder and member of the same Meeting, died Twelfth Month 4th, 1891, aged 86 years, 9 months, and 21 days.

*Vassalboro Quarterly Meeting* reports that Charles Osborne, an Elder and member of Vassalboro Monthly Meeting, died Fourth Month 19th, 1892, aged 72 years; that it has united with Unity Monthly Meeting in acknowledging the gift and approving the public ministry of George M. Jones, and with China Monthly Meeting in appointing John Jones to the station of Elder.

*Dover Quarterly Meeting* reports that it has added two associate members of the Meeting on Ministry and Oversight.

*Fairfield Quarterly Meeting* reports that it has appointed five associate members of the Meeting on Ministry and Oversight. Sarah M. Richardson, an Elder and member of Sidney Monthly Meeting, died Fifth Month 15th, 1891, aged 83 years, 3 months, and 1 day; Mary Sanford, an Elder and member of Winthrop Monthly Meeting died First Month 12th, 1892, aged 85 years, 8 months, and 21 days; Lavinia M. Briggs, an Elder and member of the same meeting, died First Month 21st, 1892, aged 68 years, 3 months, and 5 days.

Adjourned to meet at 3.45 this P. M.

AFTERNOON. — The meeting assembled pursuant to adjournment.

14. Owen Dame, on behalf of the Representatives, informed the Meeting that they were united in proposing the name of Timothy B. Hussey for Clerk, and Daniel C. Maxfield and I. Warren Hawkes for Assistant Clerks for the ensuing year, which being separately approved they are accordingly appointed to those services the ensuing year.

On the retirement of our dear friend William O. Newhall from the position of clerk to this Yearly Meeting, we desire to record our appreciation of the faithful and efficient service he has rendered

during the lengthened period of sixteen years, by his warm interest in all the varied work of the Church, as well as by the dignity and courtesy with which he performed the duties of the office.

Adjourned to meet in joint session at 4 o'clock.

The meeting met pursuant to adjournment.

15. The Committee appointed for that purpose presented the names of the following Friends to constitute a Committee on Correspondence, which is approved by the Meeting, viz. : —

COMMITTEE ON CORRESPONDENCE.

Alfred H. Jones,	William Thompson,
Frank E. Jones,	James M. Estes,
Samuel Buffum,	William O. Newhall,
Jesse McPherson,	Rufus M. Jones,
Olney T. Meader,	Arthur M. Hussey,
Robert P. Gifford,	David J. Douglas,
George L. Crosman,	Henry C. Aydelott,
Henry H. Goddard,	William P. Pinkham,
William P. Macomber,	Charles W. Earle,
John S. Kimber,	Charles W. Goddard.

16. The Committee having charge of the Yearly Meeting School at Providence, R. I., presented their Annual Report, viz. : —

REPORT OF BOARDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

TO THE YEARLY MEETING :

The Committee having in charge the Boarding School at Providence, established by and under the care of the Yearly Meeting, in presenting the Seventy-third Annual Report of its operations, would state that, while they have but little that will be especially new to report, they have the great pleasure of informing the Meeting that the work performed by the pupils and the efforts of the officers and Board of Instruction have been productive of very satisfactory results. The Sub-Committees, appointed from time to time, have made very encouraging and cheering reports of the condition of the school and progress of the scholars, in the various branches in which they are engaged; and in their frequent attendance of the Meetings for Worship held on First and Fourth day mornings, as well as the evening of First-days, they have found them to be seasons in which much solemnity and religious interest have prevailed — and, in general, the Committee can thankfully acknowledge that the deep spiritual earnestness which has characterized the religious work of the school, of latter years, has in no wise abated during the past year, but the rather, has been upon the increase, so that spiritually and intellectually the previous high standard of the Institution has been well maintained.

The general health of the family, during the past year, has been exceptionally good. One death, however, has occurred, in reference to which, the Principal, in his communication to us at our meeting in the Fourth Month, stated: "We were saddened by the loss of Lois Anna Perry, a member of the senior class, on the 6th of Third Month, 1892. She was the daughter of William H. Perry of Clarks Falls, Conn., and at her decease a little over twenty years of age. Her sickness, which was rheumatism, was very brief. She was a beautiful Christian girl, and has, we believe, graduated to a higher, holier, and more blessed immortal life."

The decease of George Howland, Jr., one of our number, occurred on Second Month 18th, 1892; he had been almost uninterruptedly a member of the School Committee for nearly half a century. The following minute was entered upon our records at our meeting in the Fourth Month, viz.: "We are called upon at this time to record the decease of our dear friend George Howland, Jr., who was for a long series of years a valuable and efficient member of this Committee, and for many years faithfully served the Committee in the capacity of clerk. We have gratefully to acknowledge our high appreciation of his uniform kindness, courtesy, and fidelity, as well as the marked cheerfulness which he manifested towards the students and all those in charge of the Institution; and in every way in which he was connected with it, he showed his warm attachment to the school, and his earnest, prayerful desire for its best welfare."

Another vacancy has occurred in our number, on account of which, the following minute was placed upon our records in the Eleventh Month last, viz.: "The Committee hereby desires to express its appreciation of the long continued, faithful, and efficient service of our friend Charles F. Coffin, in the interests of this Institution."

The growing interest in Mechanic Arts, Drawing, and Painting, and the crowded condition of the house seemed to the Committee to demand additional accommodations for these branches; it was decided at a meeting of the Committee in the Sixth Month last to erect, at the north of the east wing, a suitable building, which was accordingly carried into effect and completed so as to be occupied in the early part of Third Month last, greatly to the comfort, convenience, and satisfaction of the instructors and pupils.

The number of scholars for the year has been, — boarders 161, day students 18, total 179.

The officers of government and instruction have been: —

AUGUSTINE JONES, A. M., L. L. B., Principal, and Political Science.

WILLIAM E. SARGENT, A. M., Governor, and English Studies and Calisthenics for Boys.

EVELYN BARROWS, B. S., Preceptress, and English Studies.

THOMAS J. BATTEY, A. M., Natural Science.

MARY E. RAWSON, Vocal and Instrumental Music.

SOPHIA L. PITMAN, Drawing and Painting.

WALTER S. MEADER, A. M., Higher Mathematics.

FREDERICK H. HOWARD, A. M., Greek and Latin.

CHARLES R. JACOB, A. B., Modern Languages.  
 ANNA BELLE CARROLL, A. M., English Studies.  
 HARRIETTE H. HACKER, English Studies.  
 ABBIE D. CARTLAND, Primary Room.  
 CLARA B. PRESBREY, Assistant in Drawing and Painting.  
 ALLEN W. WEEKS, Mechanic Arts.  
 CHARLES E. COBB, Charge of Boys' school-room.  
 ROBERT BONNER, Instrumental Music.  
 CLARA B. PRESBREY, Calisthenics for Girls.  
 ALICE FORDE MAYBERRY, Secretary and Book-keeper.  
 GERTRUDE A. HAWKES; Librarian, Autumn Term.  
 GRACE KING PEASLEE, Librarian, Spring Term.

## LECTURER.

THOMAS J. BATTEY, A. M., Natural Science.

AUDITORS' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDING SEVENTH  
 MONTH 1st, 1891.

## RECEIPTS.

Charitable Scholarship Fund . . . . .	\$2,062 50
Elizabeth Fry " " . . . . .	1,500 00
General " " . . . . .	6,100 00
Stephen T. Olney " . . . . .	1,804 31
Board and tuition . . . . .	30,972 92
Day Scholars' tuition . . . . .	1,557 65
Auxiliary studies and use of pianos . . . . .	3,081 74
	—————\$47,079 12

## EXPENDITURES.

For Salaries . . . . .	\$15,327 47
Wages . . . . .	9,904 14
Provisions . . . . .	11,501 29
Repairs and renewals . . . . .	3,476 63
Water . . . . .	312 75
Light . . . . .	957 86
Fuel . . . . .	1,356 09
Library . . . . .	443 35
Papers and periodicals . . . . .	67 26
Incidentals . . . . .	173 51
Debts considered bad . . . . .	129 29
Advertising . . . . .	1,054 93
Balance to profit and loss . . . . .	2,374 55
	—————\$47,079 12

ROBERT P. GIFFORD,  
 SAMUEL R. BUFFINTON,  
 JAMES H. CHACE,  
 CHARLES SISSON, } *Auditors.*

The Committee proposes that the rates for admission to the School, per term, for all who may be admitted, be \$150.00. Credit to members of New England Yearly Meeting from the Obadiah Brown Scholarship Fund of \$75.00. Credit to a member of any other Yearly Meeting by scholarship from the same fund, of \$25.00. And a further credit to any member of New England Yearly Meeting, if selected by the School Committee, from the Scholarship of the Charitable Fund, of \$75.00.

The rates are payable at the commencement of each term. An additional charge to be made for one year's instruction in Greek, Latin, French, or German of \$10.00; for one year's instruction in mechanical and crayon drawing and painting, \$30.00.

It is understood that no deduction from the rates of payment shall be made, except when occasioned by prolonged sickness, and then a reduction of one half may be made for the balance of the term or period of absence.

Signed on behalf of the Committee.

WILLIAM O. NEWHALL, *Clerk.*

PROVIDENCE, Fifth Month 31st, 1892.

NOTE.—The Autumn Term begins Ninth Month 14th, 1892, and the Spring Term begins Second Month 8th, 1892.

Applications for admission to the School should be made seasonably for the meeting of the Committee, Eighth Month 2d, 1892.

Those who desire the benefit of the Charitable Fund should be sure to apply at the time above stated, Eighth Month 2d, 1892.

Applications should be sent to the Principal, Augustine Jones, Providence, R. I.

The Report is interesting and satisfactory, and has received the approval of the Meeting, and the Committee now under appointment with the exception of two members removed by death is re-appointed for the ensuing year.

We refer the vacancies to be filled to the Joint Nominating Committee to be appointed.

17. The Committee on Real Estate presented their report which is satisfactory, and the Committee now under appointment is continued for that service the ensuing year.

#### REPORT OF THE REAL ESTATE COMMITTEE.

TO THE YEARLY MEETING:

We have sold during the past year as follows:—

1891, Seventh Mo. 1st.	One lot 6,600 square feet for . . .	\$2,640 00
1891, Seventh Mo. 1st.	One lot 15,865 3-10 square feet for . . .	5,552 85
1892, Fifth Mo. 21st.	One lot 6,250 square feet for . . .	2,437 50
Total Sales . . . . .		\$10,630 35

1891, Eighth Mo. 20th. Received Balance of purchase money and interest on deeds delivered . . . . .	2,150 41
1891, Eighth Mo. 20th. Received payment of 4 Mortgage notes and interest . . . . .	4,210 00
1892, Third Mo. 26th. Received payment of 3 Mortgage notes and interest . . . . .	3,017 00
Total receipts of other interest . . . . .	513 69
Balance reported on hand last year . . . . .	114 05
Total Receipts . . . . .	<u>\$20,635 50</u>

## EXPENDITURES.

Paid J. H. Chace, Treasurer, from cash receipts amounting to,	\$20,323 45
Paid Expenses . . . . .	84 17
Balance on hand with custodian . . . . .	227 88
	<u>\$20,635 50</u>

ROBERT P. GIFFORD,

*Clerk of Real Estate Committee.*

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Sixth Mo. 7th, 1892.

## REAL ESTATE COMMITTEE.

James H. Chace.

Olney T. Meader.

Samuel R. Buffinton.

Robert P. Gifford.

Charles Sisson.

18. The Committee having charge of Oak Grove Seminary and Bailey Institute, presented their Annual Report which has been read.

The earnest and faithful effort shown in the management of this school was encouraging, and the Meeting was united in thankfully accepting the report, which is as follows, viz. :—

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON OAK GROVE SEMINARY AND  
BAILEY INSTITUTE.

## TO THE YEARLY MEETING :

In presenting to the Yearly Meeting their annual report of Oak Grove Seminary and Bailey Institute, the committee in charge would thankfully acknowledge the blessing of our Heavenly Father, which has rested upon the school during the past year. The attendance has been good [numbering one hundred and twenty-three] and, with very little exception, the health of the Board of Instruction and pupils has been excellent. Under the efficient management of the principal, Rufus M. Jones, aided by his wife, Sarah C. Jones, as head of the household department, the affairs of the Institution have been prudently and wisely administered, and a genial home feeling has been clearly apparent to those who have been privileged to mingle as visitors with the family and pupils. In the school and class rooms the labors of the principal have been ably seconded by the teachers in charge

of the different departments, and we believe that the literary work of the school will compare favorably with that of any previous year. The graduating class numbered thirteen, and the Commencement exercises, which were attended by eighteen members of the Committee, were interesting and satisfactory to all. Meetings for divine worship have been regularly held on First and Fourth days, and social meetings [usually conducted by the pupils], two evenings in the week. Several of the pupils have, during the past year, started on the happy Christian journey; and these, with others of more advanced Christian experience, have manifested a deep interest in the religious work of the school, and have given evidence in their daily lives, of the change wrought in them through faith in a living Saviour. The regular meetings for worship have been frequently attended by members of the Committee, but none have been more signally blessed by the great Head of the Church than those in which no visitors were present.

During the school year a large and finely finished gymnasium, eighty by thirty feet, has been erected on the grounds north of the school building, and presented to the school by our friend, Charles M. Bailey, who has also generously donated the sum of seven hundred and ninety-eight dollars and twelve cents to balance the school accounts. A timely and acceptable gift of one hundred dollars from a Friend in Lynn, Mass., has been used for the purchase of philosophical apparatus.

We have also to thankfully acknowledge a gift of sixty dollars for the Sybil Jones Fund, from a Friend in Portland, Me. The board and tuition of ten pupils has been paid during the year, through the generosity of friends of the school.

We believe that the Institution, under its present management, is fulfilling the high "aim" of its founders "to develop strong, upright, cultured Christian men and women," and we again commend it to the care of the Yearly Meeting.

The Principal for the coming year will be Rufus M. Jones, A. M. The rest of the Faculty are not fully determined upon.

#### CALENDAR FOR 1892-1893.

Autumn Term begins Eighth Month 30th, 1892.

Winter Term begins Eleventh Month 29th, 1892.

Spring Term begins Second Month 27th, 1893.

Each term consists of twelve weeks, a vacation of one week coming between the autumn and winter terms, and the winter and spring terms.

All applications for admission to the school should be made to

RUFUS M. JONES, A. M., *Principal*,  
Oak Grove Seminary and Bailey Institute,  
Vassalboro, Maine.

On behalf of the Committee,

CHARLES M. BAILEY, *Chairman*.

I. WARREN HAWKES, *Secretary*.

NEWPORT, R. I., Sixth Month 10th, 1892.

The nomination of a committee to have the care of Oak Grove Seminary and Bailey Institute is referred to the Joint Nominating Committee to be appointed.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF OAK GROVE SEMINARY AND  
BAILEY INSTITUTE.

RECEIPTS.

Balance from last year . . . . .	\$ 64 06	
Samuel R. Buffinton, Treas. (interest) . . . . .	143 38	
Samuel R. Buffinton, Treas. (on principal) . . . . .	375 00	
Interest on loans . . . . .	707 28	
Interest on Mary E. Austin Fund . . . . .	267 50	
Subscription of A. M. Bradley & Son . . . . .	9 37	
Subscription of Macomber, Farr & Co. . . . .	17 50	
Board and Tuition . . . . .	4,535 21	
State Treasurer . . . . .	800 00	\$6,919 30
Donated by Charles M. Bailey, to balance account . . . . .		798 12
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		\$7,717 42

EXPENDITURES.

Expense, repairs . . . . .	\$ 62 61	
Expense chargeable to last year's account . . . . .	130 00	
Insurance . . . . .	500 00	
Expense of school . . . . .	5,608 60	
Expense of school, chargeable to last year's account, . . . . .	200 00	
Scholarship . . . . .	183 64	
Trustees of N. E. Y. Meeting . . . . .	500 00	\$7,184 85
Unpaid bill . . . . .		532 57
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		\$7,717 42

The insurance paid is in advance to Ninth Month 5th, 1894.

JOSEPH E. BRIGGS,  
*Treasurer.*

We have examined the accounts and vouchers of Joseph E. Briggs, Treasurer, and found them correct.

JOHN J. FRYE, }  
HANNAH J. BAILEY, } *Auditors.*

19. The Committee on Education have presented their report, which is approved and is as follows, viz. : —

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

TO THE YEARLY MEETING OF FRIENDS FOR NEW ENGLAND.

The Committee on Education reports that the present year has been a very successful one in the schools of the Yearly Meeting, and yet they feel

that the schools do not claim the attention from many Friends which their advantages warrant.

The statistics show that large numbers of children of the Yearly Meeting are not at either school, who are of the right age to be improved by the institutions.

There are many well known reasons which contribute to this result, but the advantages in training and culture under new and independent influences, are not, we think, sufficiently realized. The present year has exhibited an advance in general education, the world over, which has no parallel in history.

The educational light is reaching the ignorant masses with universal power which rejoices our hearts. This should stimulate us to cherish our own institutions; they are capable with further endowment of doing vastly more effective work.

Our fathers sought to make them sectarian nurseries. It is our privilege in a more advanced age to see the breadth and depth and scope of a larger culture, a greater and more enduring influence extended to all mankind.

We cannot hold, without untiring devotion, an influential place in the great domain of education, when public interest is so fully awakened and public money is expended so lavishly, when the wealthiest persons vie with each other in the magnificence of their endowments. God has given to us a share in this noble work of elevating mankind, and in all our beneficent enterprises none exceeds it in importance.

¶ We should be unfaithful to our most sacred duty if we turned this service over to the cold, mechanical, unfeeling hands of the State, or if we gave place to other denominations with different specific missions and characteristics. Therefore, the modern popular cry that all education should be in the care of the State is wrong and ought not to be heeded.

The cause demands that we should seek to reach constantly a higher standard of work, and do all we can by our example and influence to urge on the public schools to greater perfection. The public school is the child and offspring of the private school and needs its stimulating influence.

The training of the intellect which is a portion of that immortal mind, which is destined for eternity, cannot fail to be a matter of the deepest solicitude to the church which seeks the culture of the spirit, and to bring all men to Him who is the Life, the Truth, and the Way.

On behalf of the committee,

AUGUSTINE JONES.

RUFUS M. JONES.

RUTH S. MURRAY.

NEWPORT, Sixth Month, 10, 1892.

We appoint the same committee as last year to this service.

## TO THE YEARLY MEETING :

I have to report that I have received as Chairman of the Committee on Education the following sums of money :—

From Dover Monthly Meeting . . . . .	\$2 00
From Fall River . . . . .	2 50
From North Berwick . . . . .	3 00
From Worcester . . . . .	3 00
From Windham . . . . .	3 00
From Weare . . . . .	5 25
From Lynn . . . . .	4 64
	—————\$23 39

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By sum transferred to the Peace Committee . . . . .	3 00
Balance remaining . . . . .	—————\$20 39

AUGUSTINE JONES.

SIXTH MONTH, 10, 1892.

Adjourned to meet in joint session to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

SEVENTH-DAY MORNING, THE 11TH INST.

The Meeting again assembled in joint session pursuant to adjournment.

20. NOMINATING COMMITTEE. — The Representatives from the several Quarterly Meetings have designated the following-named Friends to constitute the Nominating Committee, which is approved by this Meeting, viz. :

RHODE ISLAND.	Joseph H. Atwater, Electa J. Collius.
SALEM.	William O. Newhall, Alice W. Maxfield.
SANDWICH.	Gideon Wood, Susan F. Hoxie.
FALMOUTH.	John J. Frye, Emma A. Douglas.
SMITHFIELD.	Isaac Steere, Mary A. Battey.
VASSALBORO.	William A. Jones, Eliza P. Pierce.
DOVER.	Samuel Buffum, Almira B. Buffum.
FAIRFIELD.	Joseph E. Briggs, Mary C. Hawkes.
PARSONSFIELD.	Silas H. Cartland, Melissa S. Dearborne.

21. The Records of the Representative Meeting were now read and approved.

22. Olney T. Meader and Owen Dame, were appointed to fill the vacancies occurring in the Trustees of the Mosher Fund.

Adjourned to meet in joint session this afternoon.

SEVENTH-DAY AFTERNOON.

Friends assembled in joint session pursuant to adjournment.

23. A communication has been received by this Meeting, which, according to our custom, we place in the hands of a few Friends to examine and report at a future time, and we appoint for that service William O. Newhall, William P. Pinkham, Hannah J. Bailey, Eliza P. Pierce, and Alfred H. Jones.

24. The Committee on Foreign Missions have presented their Annual Report, viz. : —

TO THE YEARLY MEETING :

The Foreign Mission Committee would submit to the Yearly Meeting the report of the work at Ramallah as furnished by our friend, Eta H. Johnston. She says : —

At the commencement of the report for the past year, we wish to acknowledge the loving kindness of God.

Although we were called during that time to live without our dear Mission Mother, Huldah H. Leighton, yet He has guided and guarded and, like the loving Father His children know Him to be, has *more* than answered our petitions for His aid.

The Mission Monthly Meeting has just started upon the third year of its existence. Seven new names have been added to our list of thirty-two already upon record — four by birth and three by request. Of the latter, one is the new Syrian teacher, who will probably prove a blessing to the meeting, and the others are a native and his wife — people who have long attended our meetings and have given evidence of having begun the Christian life.

The meetings for worship are well attended. The business meetings have continued to improve in respect to order and method, until now they quite resemble the quiet, orderly business meetings of New England.

The average attendance at the Sabbath morning Meetings is sixty-five, — a small increase upon last year's number. Perhaps in no place have the loving words and wise counsel of our dear Huldah Leighton been more sadly missed than in these meetings. However, the presence of the "Great Head of the Church" has often been felt, and new voices have sometimes been heard in prayer or exhortation. These Sabbath Meetings have been a source of strength and blessing to many. Our Monthly Meetings' Treasurer still continues to take up a collection once each month, and the little amounts which the people are able to give from their small means are given cheerfully and even joyfully. In our last Monthly Meeting the Treasurer reported one hundred and seventy francs in the treasury. The people have the same object in view as before — that of aiding their dear New England Friends when they are ready to build for them a meeting-house.

In Tenth Month, the members of various classes that had in past years met for Bible study in different places and at different times, were brought together and organized into a Sabbath School, such as those we have in

New England. It is held in the meeting-room, from three to four each Sabbath afternoon, and thus far has been one of the happiest and most profitable hours of the week. There is no other Sabbath School of the kind in all Palestine.

The average number of attendants since organizing has been fifty-four. These are arranged into eight classes — four for adults and the same number for children. Both teachers and scholars display eagerness in imparting or receiving the lessons, and it is a beautiful sight to see the little people, some of them seated upon the straw mats, looking up into the earnest faces of their teachers, as they apply the Bible truths to their young lives.

The fathers and mothers, also, sitting with their heads covered with red and yellow turbans, or with long, white, cotton veils, seem like children in their simplicity and willingness, or rather eagerness, to learn. The Bible is becoming precious to some of these. The way they carry it about on the Sabbath and study it before groups of their Greek and Latin friends, seems a proof that they are proud of the Christians' sacred book. Once a month, we have given cards and religious papers to the school. The papers are in Arabic, and were obtained last autumn for the asking from the Children's Special Service Mission, of London. Many of the natives, who are Greek by religion, while they cannot be induced to enter the meeting-room, will stand outside, and when the school is over ask those who can to read their papers in their hearing upon the corner of the street. Arabic literature is a good aid to the work, both in the Sabbath School and Training Home.

The former interest has been kept up in our Fifth-day evening prayer meetings. The people who attend, so completely fill the school-room where they are held, that we find it necessary to do without the presence of the Training Home girls, except a few of the oldest. Most of the workers and several of the natives take part in these meetings, and we find them hours of blessing.

The Mothers' Meetings are carried on with much earnestness by our Dispenser's wife, who was formerly our teacher Emily. They are held twice a week — in the eastern and western parts of the village, alternately.

A few extra meetings were held in the house of Jurious Kuddoorah, one of our teachers, we believe, with profit. The number of women who attend the regular Women's Meetings is eighteen. Those who once get into the habit of attending, seldom remain away if it is in their power to be present. The mothers bring their infants, and many their baskets of wheat to look over while they listen. A small part of the two hours is devoted to teaching the young mothers how to read from the Bible and all are taught portions of Scripture by heart.

Since there was no way to heat the meeting-room, Emily invited the women, when the weather was very cold, to her own little upper room near by, which, with her husband, she had consecrated to the Lord upon entering it after her marriage. In these meetings the interest in that

which is good and pure and right is increasing. We notice a slow but sure change for the better in the homes and lives of the down-trodden women, at least those who have been brought under the Mission's influence.

One evening of each week is spent in teaching the children of the schools and the older people hymns. They seem to enjoy singing, especially the men and children. So quickly do they catch the words and music that in the past two years they have learned by heart over half a hundred hymns.

Since the interesting examination and concert last year, the people of Ramallah have shown an increased interest in our schools. Many are begging to have their little girls taken into the Training Home and made useful and good. Ever the answer is given them: "There is no room." May God hasten the day when there will be room for many, that they may be trained for Christian teachers or wives of the future. The condition of Palestine in the future depends so much upon the training of the boys and girls of the day! So rapid has been the change for the better in the few girls now in the Training Home, that we are longing to bring more from the miserable Moslem villages and teach them of Christ, the children's Friend. Now that the people of Ramallah have seen the good effect Christianity and education are having upon their daughters, they are asking for the same blessing for their sons. Often they say to us: "Why do not your people provide a Training Home for our boys? Please, will you tell them that we love our boys, too, and want them, also, to be trained rightly." How all would rejoice if, in the near future, we could see upon this "Hill of God" in Bible lands, Training Homes for both boys and girls! We pray that our God, whose work it is, may, in His own good way, provide that the children may be taught the way of salvation, and go out from Ramallah a blessing to their country.

The twenty girls in the Training Home have made excellent progress in their studies, housework, knitting, and sewing. When we began school in Tenth Month, there was a vacant place caused by the death of one of the most promising of our girls, Bookreyeh Nickhoo. She died during summer vacation while at her home in Haifa. When this child first entered the Home, one short year before her death, none was, or could be, in greater need of training. Since she was obedient and diligent in duty, she made marked improvement. During the spring term, she had given evidence of a change of heart from her life and conversation. We believe she is now safe in heaven with the Saviour whom she confessed and loved on earth. Her death made a deep impression upon her school-mates, and since that time some have appeared more thoughtful regarding sacred things. Bookreyeh's place was filled with a little girl six years old belonging to a Friend in our own village. This child, Ahzeeie Rafeedie, is now the youngest in the Home. Always happy as a little bird, healthy, innocent, and pretty, she is the pet of the school. Together with the rest of the little ones, she has committed to memory six chapters from the Bible, besides many other things.

In Fourth Month, a short time before Huldah H. Leighton left us, a new teacher, Martha Nusr by name, came from Baalbec to assist in the Training Home work. She is beloved by all and has done noble work for the Mission during the year. Much care has been taken by both Martha and our head teacher, Katie, to have the children thorough in all they do. Some new tasks have been added during the past year, such as assisting in the weekly washing, preparing bread for baking, and cutting and fitting their simple clothing. We are able to say of these girls that nearly all are very fond of both work and study. Although there is still vast room for improvement, their progress has been so rapid and satisfactory in respect to thoroughness, that the Training Home work is among the pleasantest and most hopeful of all. A part of each morning is spent in reciting English, and in these lessons they are joined this year by the larger of the boys from the Day School. The children display much cleverness in picking up our language, especially since the beginning of the winter term of school, when a rule was made obliging all to speak English every Sixth day, have they made rapid improvement.

The daily scripture lessons with the children are exceedingly interesting, and their intelligent questions and answers show plainly that they are getting an excellent foundation for the Spirit's work. The older girls are quick to perceive the application of scripture truths to their lives.

Every child has thoroughly committed to memory one verse of scripture every day, except during vacation and Seventh-days, since the autumn term began. Some of our dear girls have begun to live for Christ. We firmly believe that in answer to your prayers and ours, all will in time be brought into His fold.

There are twenty-one boys now in the Day School. The Greek priests have started a school for boys, and during the past two years have succeeded in forcing the fathers of our boys to send them to receive their erroneous teaching. Those who remain are mostly from Greek families, but are related to the Friends, or those who come under the Mission's influence. Although these boys have made fair progress, yet we cannot report as much satisfaction in this as in the Training Home work, since home influences counteract much of the good teaching which they get at school.

Our Girls' Day School is now under the care of Helanie Totah, who was formerly in the Training Home, and last year assistant teacher. Her girls number twenty-eight with an average of nineteen. They have been examined once a month, and as good work has been done as can be expected, when we remember the relation each girl bears to her home — that of a slave. Much scripture has been taught these children, also hymns, which some of them sing in their wretched cave homes.

Six months during the year the evening school for men was kept. Those who attended regularly did excellent work under the teaching of ever-faithful Jurious Kuddoorah. He met his pupils in the boys' school-room three evenings of each week and spent two and often three hours with them. The men of this school are all members of the Friends' So-

ciety. Two of them began the alphabet and are now able to read any chapter in the New Testament. Besides reading, — spelling, writing, and arithmetic were taught, and the lessons were followed by a few moments of silence and then prayer was offered, either by Jurious or one of his pupils, in conclusion.

It affords much pleasure to report the work of the Medical Department this year. It has done nobly for the sick, notwithstanding the sorely-felt need of a hospital. The new Doctor seems admirably adapted to the place and is loved and honored by the people.

Several times during the winter the Doctor and Dispenser met from fifteen to twenty of the native men in the "Guest Room" of the village, and spoke to them upon the subjects of love, peace in and between families, cleanliness as conducive to health, etc.

During the year thirty-six villages were visited for medical treatment, more than thirty-six hundred prescriptions were made up at the Dispensary, and over ninety surgical operations (nearly all successful) were performed. The income from medical visits was twenty-two hundred francs. For medicine four hundred francs were paid out, while the income at the Dispensary amounted to eight hundred fifty-six francs. A clinic was held as formerly, three days each week, when the Doctor and Dispenser devoted fifteen minutes to Bible-reading and prayer. While receiving prescriptions or waiting for remedies for their bodies, patients were often spoken to separately about the Great Physician, who alone can cure the worst of all diseases — sin.

Six persons, belonging to a family of seven, some of whom are Friends, were ill at the same time with typhoid fever. Since there was no hope of their recovering, situated as they were in their one cold, damp room, and since there was no hospital, we gave them the use of the boys' school-room and sent the school to the meeting-room for one month. They have since been overwhelmed with gratitude for the help, and are ever seeking to show it by kind deeds and words. Care was taken to have the school-room thoroughly cleansed before again using it for the children. Death removed from the afflicted family their aged mother, with whom some of the workers were privileged to have some earnest talks, the result of which is left with God. The others recovered, and now one of the brothers has changed a worldly life for that of a Christian and has applied for membership with Friends.

The appearance of cholera in the northern part of Palestine necessitated the placing of soldiers at every important road in the country.

Our Mission Physician was called upon by the Government to attend the nearest quarantine three times a week. It was stationed at a village called Singel, midway between Jerusalem and Nablous and four and one-half hours northeast of Ramallah. The doctor began his visits Tenth Month 21st and ended them the first of Second Month, at which time the quarantine was raised.

Since the last report, scarlet fever, measles, and influenza have prevailed more than other diseases. In our own village, seventy-three children died

with scarlet fever and forty-eight with measles. If there had been a hospital in which to take them, probably most of these could have been saved.

Measles and influenza were raging at the same time among the children of the Training Home and doctor's family. Many of the workers also were ill with the latter; but since much depended upon good nursing as well as medical treatment, all completely recovered, although some cases were indeed critical and caused much anxiety. Only the strongest can hope to survive in such houses or caves as the native people inhabit here.

Prayer goes up from the Mission, as well as from many New England homes, that God will speed the day when there will be a hospital raised upon this hill.

In medical mission work, Palestine people, even the most prejudiced among the Moslems, can and do see the practical love of Christians. Bestowing, as it does, deeds of love together with the words, it affords an admirable opportunity for spreading Christianity.

At Christmas time the preparations and performances at the Mission were the same as last year, and it was a happy, joyous time for all. Simple prizes were given to the boys and girls of the day schools whose attendance was regular, and Bibles and hymn books were presented to eight of the Training Home children for superior conduct during the year.

On Christmas day a special Bible service was profitably held in the sitting-room of the Mission building. Our Christmas vacation lasted ten days, and was mostly devoted to receiving calls from the Ramallah people. Those who came numbered over a hundred. Unlike former years, the men called by families or tribes, each numbering about fifteen. The women came as usual by twos or threes, with their children.

Last autumn, the Mission vineyard yielded over six hundred rattles of grapes (about 3,600 lbs.)—more than in former years. About half of these were stored for winter use in the form of raisins, molasses and jam. This spring the vineyard has been ploughed and pruned in the same manner as it was one year ago.

The fig, almond, pomegranate, and other trees give promise of yielding much fruit for the Training Home in the coming autumn.

Barley was sown in every available place, and is growing nicely.

Nimer, the faithful Arabian Mission horse, has done excellent service for the medical department during the past year, and although twelve years old, seems strong and ready for more.

We have been cheered and gladdened by visits from three of the Brumana workers, some of our dear English Friends, and several missionaries from this and other countries.

As this paper starts upon its long journey over the sea, it leaves every member of your Mission family well and happy. Let it bear to New England Friends the message that God is ever with us, and may He keep them also, as He has kept us, in the hollow of His hand.

The Committee are impressed with the responsibility laid upon Friends in the open door which the Lord has set before them in these Bible lands.

So many requests to receive girls into the Home have to be refused for lack of room, that the Committee feel that some enlargement of the Mission building is necessary.

A plan of the same having been procured, the Chairman was directed to present the subject and its needs to the Yearly Meeting.

On behalf of the Committee,

RUTH S. MURRAY, *Secretary.*

This Report has been interesting and cheering to us, and we rejoice in the renewed evidence furnished, that the Lord has blessed our work, and that our Mission is a centre from which the light of the Gospel is emanating and gradually penetrating the surrounding darkness. The Committee ask for \$4,000.00 to carry on the work another year.

We refer the nomination of a Committee to carry on the work to the Joint Nominating Committee.

#### TREASURER'S REPORT.

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN MISSIONS FOR NEW ENGLAND YEARLY MEETING  
OF FRIENDS, *in account with* WILLIAM T. HUSSEY, *Treasurer.*

##### CONDENSED REPORT.

Receipts from Subscriptions . . . . .	\$4,399 34
Amount drawn from deposit in Bank . . . . .	353 75
	\$5,253 09
Disbursements . . . . .	\$4,351 75
On hand for Building Fund . . . . .	901 34
	\$5,253 09

Examined vouchers and found correct.

ROBERT P. GIFFORD, *Auditor.*

NEWPORT, Sixth Month, 11, 1892.

We acknowledge with gratitude the reception of a beautiful copy of Webster's International Dictionary donated by the publishers, G. & C. Merriam, Springfield, Mass., also of an excellent scale presented by the manufacturers, E. & T. Fairbanks & Co., St. Albans, Vt.

Both of these useful presents are in daily use at the Mission at Ramallah.

25. The Report of the Committee on Gospel Work was now presented and read, and is as follows, viz. :—

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON GOSPEL WORK FOR THE YEAR  
ENDING SIXTH MONTH, 9TH, 1892.

DEAR FRIENDS, — Under a sense of the goodness of the Lord in blessing us in the gospel, we come to you with our annual report. "Truly,

the harvest is plenteous, but the laborers are few." Our concern seemed to present to us the great vital questions which lie at the threshold of church obligations and duty, viz.: The practical, systematic, and economical use of all the forces of the Yearly Meeting, which are called of the Lord into either pastoral or evangelistic work; and the bringing of these into action in harmony with the Divine will, and under the power and anointing of the Holy Spirit, so as to involve the responsibility of the Church, and bring into exercise the gifts conferred upon it. We found nearly all our meetings destitute of any systematic plan for keeping themselves alive, and building up the membership.

We have failed in our plan to have all our meetings blessed with special work. We could not send our workers indiscriminately into every meeting, and we were embarrassed by the general prevailing sickness, and, for want of means, were obliged to suspend our work at the most important time. By the reports received from the Friends appointed in each Quarterly Meeting to have the care of the work, we learn that the concern of the Committee has been largely attended to.

Nearly all our meetings have been visited. In some places meetings lasting two days or so have been held, and very many families have been visited, and the newly converted and renewed have been more generally looked after, encouraged, and instructed than heretofore. A large number of those who have claimed Christ as their Saviour are holding on to their profession. Some of our meetings that have no resident minister have been regularly supplied with a minister or other active worker, and a large amount of pastoral work of an incidental character has been done. Nearly all the reports that have reached us are encouraging, in regard to the work of the Lord. From these reports of the Quarterly Meeting Superintendents, we present, as a result of our work, the following, viz.:—

Number of meetings visited . . . . .	63
Series of meetings. . . . .	11
Number of meetings held . . . . .	722
Families visited . . . . .	625
Number of professed conversions . . . . .	324
Number of renewals . . . . .	122
Number claiming sanctification . . . . .	80
Meetings that report gain over last year . . . . .	12
Number of requests for membership . . . . .	126
Meetings kept up in school-houses throughout the year . . . . .	4

Bible readings, meetings for children, temperance, and foreign missions have been held with good results. While we would be careful in our reports not to exaggerate, we believe we can say, to the glory of God, that our work has been blessed with more spirituality, and the currents of Divine Life have been broader and deeper than last year. In conclusion, we will say that our observation and experience teaches us that some form of systematic service must be instituted and carried out, in order, rightly

and fully to accomplish satisfactory results in pastoral care of the flocks in the liberty and life of the Spirit.

Many of our meetings are in need of an efficient, resident minister who has the gift of a pastor. Meetings of this kind are located in cities and in the country where non-members and strangers attend, large meetings, especially with many young people and children, and places where meetings may be gathered away from Friends' neighborhoods. We recommend to the Church the consideration of this important subject. We gratefully acknowledge the uniform kindness shown us, and all the workers, the readiness of meetings and individuals to co-operate with us in all our work, the self-sacrificing devotion of those who have gone forth to labor, the liberality by which Friends have supplemented the consecrated means given at last Yearly Meeting, and the general unity which has prevailed.

With a living sense of gratitude we render an ascription of thanksgiving and praise to the Lord our God who by His Holy Spirit has led, sustained, and strengthened us, and has given power and success to all, as they have gone forth preaching Jesus and Him crucified.

Signed by direction and on behalf of the Committee.

DAVID J. DOUGLAS, *General Supt.*

P. S. — It is the judgment of the Committee that (\$2,000) two thousand dollars is needed to carry on the work the coming year.

DAVID J. DOUGLAS.

This deeply interesting report was satisfactory to the Meeting. We feel that a great deal of work has been done by the Committee with cheering results. It was concluded to continue the work under the care of a Committee, the nomination of which is referred to the Joint Nominating Committee.

TREASURER'S REPORT OF GOSPEL COMMITTEE.

RECEIPTS.

1891, Sixth Month, 12, Balance from last year . . . . .	\$34 46
1891, Sixth Month, 14, Cash returned . . . . .	10 00
1891, Sixth Month, 17, Cash by Subscriptions . . . . .	535 65
1892, Second Month, 16, Cash from Fairfield Quarterly Meeting,	50 00
1891, Ninth Month, 5, to Sixth Month, 10, 1892, from Monthly	
Meetings . . . . .	412 77
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	\$1,042 88

EXPENDED.

For Gospel Work . . . . .	\$958 25
Balance on hand . . . . .	84 63
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	\$1,042 88

JOSEPH E. BRIGGS, *Treasurer.*

26. The subject of providing a central location for holding the sessions of the Yearly Meeting, which was referred to the Representative Meeting last year, was brought under consideration in the report of that Meeting. While we are aware that the hallowed associations of the past, centre at Newport, we still feel that the exigencies of the present require a central position for the sessions of the Yearly Meeting. Desirous of moving with due care and deliberation in such an important matter, the Meeting decided to hold its sessions next year at Lynn, Mass., it being understood that all legal questions connected with the subject should be referred to the Representative Meeting about to be appointed, and all necessary arrangements for holding the Meeting next year should be under their care. In case the proposition to meet in Lynn should prove unadvisable, the Representative Meeting shall have power and authority to summon the Yearly Meeting to meet at Portland, Me., as heretofore, at the usual time.

Adjourned to meet in separate sessions Second-day morning, at ten o'clock.

SECOND-DAY MORNING, 13th.

Met in separate session pursuant to adjournment.

27. The names of the Representatives being called, they were all present except ten, for the absence of seven of whom satisfactory reasons were assigned.

28. The committee for that purpose presented the following report, which is approved by the Meeting, viz :—

TO THE YEARLY MEETING :

We, the Committee appointed to examine certain papers addressed to the Clerks of the Yearly Meeting, report that we have examined the same, and as they refer to a matter which came before the Yearly Meeting of Women Friends in 1885, and which according to the records of the Yearly Meeting that year was properly disposed of, we are united in the conclusion that they should not be read in the Yearly Meeting.

WILLIAM O. NEWHALL.

WILLIAM P. PINKHAM.

HANNAH J. BAILEY.

ELIZA P. PIERCE.

ALFRED H. JONES.

NEWPORT, R. I., Sixth Month 13th, 1892.

29. The Joint Nominating Committee presented the names of Friends to constitute Committees on the following lines of work, viz.: The Yearly Meeting School at Providence, Oak Grove Seminary and Bailey Institute, Foreign Missions, and Gospel Work, all of which separately considered, were approved by the Meeting. The names of these Committees with their organizations will appear later in the Minutes.

30. Epistles were now read from Indiana, Western, Iowa, Ohio, and Kansas Yearly Meetings, and from Ramallah Monthly Meeting. The epistle from Ramallah has been especially interesting to us, and has encouraged our hearts in the work in which as a Yearly Meeting we are engaged in Bible lands.

31. The Trustees of the Mosher Fund submitted the following report, which has been approved viz.:—

#### REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE MOSHER FUND.

##### TO THE YEARLY MEETING.

The income for the year ending Sixth Month, 1892, has been,	
From the City of Boston Bond . . . . .	\$500 00
Paid to J. E. Paige, Treasurer of the Committee on the income of this fund . . . . .	\$500 00
The fund is invested in one City of Boston 5% Bond . . .	\$10,000 00
New Bedford Institution for Savings . . . . .	950 87
Lynn Institution for Savings . . . . .	2,272 51
	\$13,223 38

Being the amount received from the late trustee, Charles F. Coffin.  
One year's interest on Savings Banks Deposits has not been collected.

OLNEY T. MEADER, } Trustees.  
OWEN DAME, }

NEWPORT, Sixth Month, 11, 1892.

32. The following proposition from Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting has been referred to the Representatives in attendance of this meeting, viz.: This Meeting is united in asking the Yearly Meeting to make a new apportionment of Yearly Meeting stock among the several Quarterly Meetings.

33. The proposition to change the name of the Representative Meeting has been referred to the Representatives in attendance of this Yearly Meeting.

34. The following propositions from Falmouth Quarterly Meeting have been referred to the Representatives to this Meeting, viz. : —

This Meeting is united in asking the Yearly Meeting that the words "as a beverage" be stricken out of the fifth query, also that "growing" in the last part of the second unanswered query be stricken out.

35. It is the conclusion of this Meeting that the following proposition from Falmouth Quarterly Meeting, be referred to a Committee of men and women Friends. They are to give the subject their prayerful consideration and report to the Meeting next year. The nomination of this Committee is referred to the Nominating Committee.

This Meeting requests the Yearly Meeting to consider the subject of spiritual gifts with reference to the definite recognition and acknowledgment of a greater variety of those gifts than heretofore.

36. Request from Smithfield Quarterly Meeting.

It is the conclusion of this Meeting that a request be forwarded to the Yearly Meeting that a protest should be forwarded from that body to the authorities having charge of the proposed World's Fair at Chicago against the opening of the exhibition on the First day of the week, and also that all consistent means should be used for the suppression of the sale of intoxicating liquors in or about the Fair grounds.

We are united in referring to a Committee of men and women Friends to prepare a suitable memorial to be signed by the Clerks of this Meeting and forwarded to the President of the United States, Senate, and House of Representatives now in session at Washington, also to the Commissioners of the Columbian Exposition at Chicago.

The nomination of this Committee is referred to the Committee on Nominations.



## STATISTICS OF CHILDREN.

	Number of children between 4 and 21.	Number of children between 12 and 21.	Number attending School.	Number attending School taught or controlled by Friends.	Number attending School taught or controlled by Friends, between 12 and 21.
Rhode Island . . . . .	153	87	116	20	16
Salem . . . . .	117	76	102	10	7
Sandwich . . . . .	78	42	42	14	9
Falmouth . . . . .	98	46	79	13	10
Smithfield . . . . .	28	21	27	5	0
Vassalboro . . . . .	65	55	40	7	7
Dover . . . . .	22	14	17	2	2
Fairfield . . . . .	54	30	42	6	2
Parsonfield . . . . .	31	15	28	0	3
Total . . . . .	646	386	493	77	56

39. This Meeting is united in referring to the Representatives the consideration of such changes in our Discipline as will help our Monthly Meetings in the right action relating to removals of our members from our limits.

Adjourned to meet in joint session this afternoon at 4 o'clock.

AFTERNOON.

Met in joint session pursuant to adjournment.

40. A communication having been received addressed to this Meeting, we place the same in the hands of William O. Newhall and Augustine Jones to examine and report to the Meeting.

41. The civilization and religious improvement of the Indians west of the Mississippi River have long claimed the attention of our Meeting.

The Committee appointed to that service have presented the following report, viz. :--

## REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON WESTERN INDIANS.

TO THE YEARLY MEETING:

Efforts to Christianize and civilize our Native Americans are weighted by the bad influence of some white people who have rushed in upon

Indian lands (now opened to settlement) bringing with them the vices of many years. The past year has had its successes and defeats, but the gains have outweighed the losses.

From the report of the Associated Executive Committee we learn that the meetings established previous to the last annual report have been maintained throughout the year, and to these have been added: Oak Grove near the Iowa meeting, Tecumseh, near Shawneetown; Miami City near the Ottawa meeting, Cayuga near the Seneca meeting.

Nearly all the Bible Schools report, that portions of Scripture are committed to memory and repeated; such as the Twenty-third Psalm, the First Psalm, and other selections. Some of the meetings and Bible schools are learning to contribute to the support of missions, and one at least sent a few dollars to the Russian Famine Fund. Within a year, good, plain, substantial buildings for meeting and school purposes, twenty-two by thirty-four feet in size, have been built at Tecumseh, and Cayuga. Some of the means contributed for the erection of both these houses have been made by members and others living in the vicinity.

On the Cayuga house there remains a debt of one hundred and eighty dollars. The other is free from debt. John and Eliza Watson have charge of Skiatook Mission; their daughter Eva with an assistant conducts the school. There were twenty-four deaths in the vicinity within four months, but the meeting and school have prospered.

A very much needed addition has been made to the school-house, doubling its capacity, and greatly increasing the usefulness of the school. These seven buildings (counting that for the Modoc station as two), added to those reported last year, give us now nine comfortable dwellings, and eleven good school and meeting houses.

Ten men are engaged in religious labor among these meetings, of whom eight have the very important aid of their wives, and there are four other women acting as missionary teachers. All the Friends labor in part for their own support, the men taking an active part in the construction and repair of the buildings they use.

The Cayuga meeting has been built up largely by John and Lucy Winney (Indian members), who put up a house on an allotment of two acres. The meeting has averaged about sixty in attendance since the erection of the house. Chas. W. Goddard and wife were removed from the Senecas to the Modoc Mission last Ninth Month. This band is now reduced to sixty-six in number. Several have gone back to their old home in Oregon, and others have died. They are more industrious than most of the Indians, and are religious, though much exposed to the temptations of the border towns.

In the allotment of land to these Indians, the location heretofore occupied by our Mission home was given to one of the tribes, and the allotment to the Society, for church and school purposes, was made three quarters of a mile distant. The abandoned Government school-house, which had been used for meeting and school purposes, was purchased for a small sum. This house was moved to the allotment and remodeled (by

C. W. Goddard) which, with a small addition, makes a dwelling with five rooms for the Mission family, and a meeting-room that will seat comfortably one hundred and forty (140) persons, at a cost of about five hundred dollars. Shade trees have been set out, and grape vines and fruit trees planted. The Mission is pleasantly located, and is one of the best Mission homes in the Territory.

Soon after the buildings were completed, a series of revival meetings were held, with little interruption for five weeks, by C. W. Goddard, assisted by Jeremiah Hubbard and Robert Quiggin. As a result, the tribe is better united, and their testimonies and prayers more frequent. Besides attending meeting at the Modocs, our Missionary attends regularly several in other localities.

By Act of May 2, 1890, Congress divided the Indian Territory, and created the Territory of Oklahoma out of the western portion thereof, with the public land strip north of Kansas and Colorado, otherwise known as No-man's Land.

The new Indian Territory is that part of the United States occupied by the Cherokee, Creek, Chickasaw, Choctaw, and Seminole nations, known as the five civilized tribes, and by several tribes in the Quapaw Agency, contiguous to the northeast corner of the Cherokee Nation. Nearly all the tribes, with the exception of the five civilized, have taken their allotment, and the remainder of nearly all the reservations has been opened to white settlement.

In several places the introduction of the whites, who have largely outnumbered the Indians, are, some of them, more dangerous to good government (however wild and uncivilized the Indians are). Especially is this true in the new Territory of Oklahoma, where Shawneetown is situated.

From letters received, we are informed that the Shawnees have received their last money from Government for the sale of their lands. Some of them are using it to good purposes, buying wagons, harnesses, agricultural implements, and fencing their lands. The new town, Tecumseh, three miles from Shawneetown, had nearly as many saloons as business houses a few months ago. They sell to Indians without restraint, and drunkenness prevails. The terrible tide carries many away.

Through the efforts of Dr. Kirk, a house for school and meeting purposes was soon erected, and sixty children are being taught in it every day, by Robert W. Hodsdon, a minister of the Society of Friends. Another minister, William Neal, felt called to work here. As no means were available for his support, the Missionaries share their support with him. He visits from house to house every day.

All the workers are doing their best, looking to the Master for direction and strength. John and Mary Mardock continue their earnest labor of love at the Iowa Mission. The teacher, Lina B. Lunt, from our own Yearly Meeting, makes one of the family. (She is supported by the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.)

This tribe has suffered great disturbance from the allotment of their lands, and intoxicants sold in the border towns. Yet souls have been won

and built up in the faith. The Mission house is built of logs, situated in a low place, wholly unsuitable to live in. As Friends did not begin work at the Iowas until after the passage of the Dawes Land-in-Severalty Bill, the allotting agent would not set apart the land, where our improvements have been made, to Friends' use.

Notwithstanding this, John Mardock has made the first claim to the land as a homesteader, and we hope to purchase the land in the near future, for which money has been raised by one of our number to the amount of \$96, and enough appropriated by the committee to raise the sum to \$200. We need \$400 for this purpose.

John Mardock has also visited the Kickapoos once a month. On one visit he found them painted and engaging in a war dance. The arrest of some of their young men for drunkenness (after the white men had been licensed to sell whiskey to them) was the cause of this. They said they might as well kill the Marshal, and then all get killed, as to live this way. John, however, quieted them, and they now are interested in building a meeting-house.

In the recent troubles in the Northwest, a very little thing brought on that war, when two hundred persons were killed and one million dollars expended.

General Morgan, Commissioner of Indian affairs says: "Untold good has already been done by the churches, through distinctively missionary work, and that there never has been a time in the history of the Indians, when they were so susceptible as now to religious influences."

The amount to be raised by the different Yearly Meetings is three thousand five hundred dollars. We recommend that five hundred and twenty-five dollars be appropriated as our quota of this sum. We also ask that the treasury of our own Committee be replenished, not only by a collection in our Yearly Meeting, but also by efforts to be made in all our Monthly Meetings to the amount of \$1,000.

On behalf of the Committee,

MYRA E. FRYE, *Secretary.*

NEWPORT, R. I., Sixth Month 13th, 1892.

We rejoice in the blessed results that have crowned their earnest labors and greatly desire their encouragement in this important service.

The nomination of a Committee to have the care of this concern is referred to the Joint Nominating Committee.

#### COMMITTEE ON WESTERN INDIANS, TREASURER'S ACCOUNT.

##### RECEIPTS.

Collection at Yearly Meeting, 1891 . . . . .	\$566 56
From Bible Schools . . . . .	24 76
From Monthly Meetings . . . . .	356 07
From special collections . . . . .	123 05
	————— \$1,070 44

PAYMENTS.	
Missionary support . . . . .	\$465 00
Building purposes . . . . .	400 00
Allotment of land at Iowa Mission . . . . .	200 00
Balance on hand . . . . .	5 44
	————— \$1,070 44

SAMUEL BUFFUM, *Treasurer.*

42. The Committee appointed to examine certain papers (see Minute 40 of this year) reported that the paper contained a request that the Yearly Meeting re-consider its decision in the appeal case from Sandwich Quarterly Meeting, acted upon in 1885, as recorded in the Women's Minutes of that year, on pages 62 and 68.

This Meeting is united in referring the case to the Representative Meeting to be appointed.

43. The Report of the Bible School Committee was read and is as follows, viz. : —

#### TO NEW ENGLAND YEARLY MEETING OF FRIENDS :

In submitting our report we shall deal with the condition and work of the Bible schools during the year, without attempt at comparison with years previous.

An endeavor has been made to collect reports from every school in the Yearly Meeting, and with a good degree of success, but few schools having failed to respond.

At the beginning of the year our Committee was organized in a manner somewhat different from usual, by the appointment of a general superintendent and a superintendent for each Quarterly Meeting, these being in addition to the chairman, secretary, and treasurer. It is to the interest of the Quarterly Meeting superintendents that is largely due our success in securing full reports from each quarter. We also fully appreciate the promptness of local superintendents in the matter.

THE STATISTICAL REPORT thus prepared is herewith submitted.

# STATISTICAL REPORT.

Local Name of School.	Superintendent's Name and Address.	Monthly Meeting.	Membership of Schools.	Average Attendance.	Number of Friends.	Number of Classes.	No. Evolving Change of Heart During year.	Is Religious Interest Increasing?	Teachers' Meetings Held.	Number Volumes in Library.	Number Books Added During Year.	Lesson Helps Used.	Papers Distributed.	Total Number of Papers Distributed.	Temperance Lessons.	Peace Lessons.	Number Mos. of School.	Observance of Children's Day.	
Portsmouth.....	Dr. Benj. Greene, Portsmouth, R. I.....	Rhode Island	40	40	Mostly 85 (?)	7	3	Yes	No	300	0	Peloubet	2 kinds	576	4	0	12	No	
Newport.....	R. C. Wetherell, 52 Third St., Newport, R. I.....	Rhode Island	50	20	12	4	1	No	No	450	20	Pilgrim	2 kinds	1000	12	0	12	No	
E. Greenwich.....	Lydia Drinkwater, E. Greenwich, R. I.....	Greenwich	12	8	7	2	4	Good	Not regular	182	12	Friends	None	2656	..	..	..	No	
Fall River.....	Herbert A. Skinner, Fall River, Mass.....	Swansea	97	57	45	10	..	Yes	..	237	..	5 kinds	4 kinds	..	..	..	..	No	
Somerset.....	Charles E. Sherman, Pottersville, Mass.....	Swansea	71	42	41	8	..	Yes	..	100	100	2 kinds	4 kinds	..	..	..	..	No	
Lower Smithfield	Louisa N. Meader, 33 Barton St., Pawtucket, R. I.....	Providence	30	19	9	4	..	Yes	..	200	0	Children's Mag.	None	..	..	0	9	No	
Providence.....	Robert F. Gifford, Box 453, Providence, R. I.....	Providence	23	13	23	2	0	Yes	..	400	0	Pilgrim	None	..	..	..	..	No	
Friends' School.....	Augustine Jones, Principal.....	Providence	200	160	55	9	12	Yes	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	No	
Hopkinton.....	Wm. T. Collins, Hopkinton, R. I.....	So. Kingston	20	15	12	2	0	No	No	400	0	Peloubet	None	..	..	..	..	No	
Totals.....			552	374	239	48	20	..	..	1879	132	..	..	4726	..	..	..	..	
Boston.....	Lindsay S. Jones, "The Clyde," Isabella St., Boston.....	Boston	57	32	38	6	2	Think so	Weekly	220	12	Peloubet	2 kinds	800	0	0	12	No	
Lawrence.....	S. Sweet, Ayer's Village, Haverhill.....	Boston	75	65	52	1	1	Think so	No	76	3	2 kinds	4 kinds	4000	4	5	12	No	
Lowell.....	David Umana, 46 Dalton St., Lowell.....	Boston	12	9	5	6	1	Yes	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	No	
Salem.....	Geo. H. Jones, Highland Ave., Salem, Mass.....	Salem	24	18	24	16	2	No	Not regular	875	45	3 kinds	3 kinds	2440	2	0	12	No	
Lynn.....	Geo. C. Herbert, Lynn, Mass.....	Salem	148	92	66	16	2	No	..	300	100	Peloubet	2 kinds	2900	..	..	..	No	
East Lynn Chapel	C. E. Bishop, 103 Essex St., Lynn, Mass.....	Salem	142	86	32	16	2	Yes	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	No	
West Epping.....	Moses O. Nichols, W. Epping, N. H.....	Amesbury	12	9	12	2	..	Yes	..	200	25	2 kinds	4 kinds	1000	4	0	12	No	
Amesbury.....	Daniel C. Maxfield, Amesbury, Mass.....	Amesbury	51	33	30	6	1	Yes	No	40	35	2 kinds	4 kinds	720	4	0	12	No	
So. Pittsfield.....	A. N. Peaslee, So. Pittsfield, N. H.....	Amesbury	38	25	3	2	1	Just so	No	110	0	Friends	3 kinds	..	..	..	..	No	
Henniker.....	Nathan P. Buxton, Henniker, N. H.....	Ware	17	9	10	2	..	Yes	..	500	50	2 kinds	3 kinds	..	..	..	..	No	
Ware.....	Sambel O. Nichols, No. Wear, N. H.....	Ware	22	17	13	2	0	No	No	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	No	
No. Wear.....	D. R. Chase, E. Deering, N. H.....	Ware	15	7	12	2	0	No	No	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	No	
Clinton Grove.....			..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	No
Totals.....			613	402	299	64	6	..	..	2546	286	..	..	12080	..	..	..	..	
Acushnet.....	Adelaide V. Wilbur, Acushnet, Mass.....	New Bedford	141	10	10	1	..	..	No	200	..	Friends	4 kinds	300	4	10	12	No	
New Bedford.....	N. W. Gifford, New Bedford, Mass.....	New Bedford	120	85	20	12	3	Yes	Quarterly	544	26	Friends	3 kinds	1040	12	12	12	No	
Mattapoisett.....	Joshua L. Macomber, E. Mattapoisett, Mass.....	New Bedford	26	19	7	3	..	No	..	259	4	Friends	3 kinds	300	..	..	..	No	
Long Plain.....	Richard Davis, Long Plain, Mass.....	Dartmouth	25	13	20	3	..	No	..	369	..	Peloubet	3 kinds	..	..	..	..	No	
Allen's Neck.....	Henry A. Allen, Dartmouth, Mass.....	Dartmouth	92	49	23	6	..	No	..	200	0	Peloubet	4 kinds	480	4	11	11	No	
Smith's Neck.....	E. L. Faunce, So. Dartmouth, Mass.....	Dartmouth	53	26	12	6	..	No	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	No	
Central Village.....	Lydia Gifford, Adamsville, R. I.....	Westport	41	35	39	5	2	Yes	No	..	..	2 kinds	1 kind	..	..	..	..	No	
Totals.....			371	237	131	39	7	..	..	1872	30	..	..	3380	..	..	..	..	

Lewiston.....	Josiah B. Holder, 205 College St., Lewiston, Me.....	Lewiston.....	60	50	35	9	0	Yes	No	150	0	1 kind	1500	3	2	12	Yes
Portland.....	Lewis M. Douglas, Portland, Me.....	Falmouth.....	82	49	59	8	..	Yes	No	209	16	Friends	0	4	0	12	No
Deering.....	Ellis A. Winslow, Westbrook, Me.....	Falmouth.....	40	23	19	3	..	..	..	100	0	2 kinds	300	4	..	12	No
Windham.....	L. Maria Jones, Windham Centre, Me.....	Windham.....	50	22	35	4	..	Hopeso	No	170	20	1 kind	29	4	..	12	Yes
Casco.....	S. A. Hall, Casco, Me.....	Windham.....	21	15	7	2	..	..	No	60	1	2 kinds	..	4	..	12	No
So. Durham.....	Henry M. Snow, So. Durham, Me.....	So. Durham.....	71	48	30	8	..	Yes	Weekly	100	17	4 kinds	1736	4	0	12	No
Totals.....			324	198	185	34	0	..	..	889	54	..	3565	..	..	..	..
Woonsocket.....	James S. Read, Woonsocket, R. I.....	Smithfield.....	161	84	35	10	0	No	No	473	4	2 kinds	900	3	1	12	No
Mansfield.....	David B. Grover, W. Mansfield, Mass.....	Smithfield.....	7	5	6	1	0	Yes	No	300	0	..	1456	4	0	12	No
Worcester.....	D. M. Babcock, 17 Sandury St., Worcester, Mass.....	Uxbridge.....	29	23	14	3	0	No	No	150	0	3 kinds	72	4	..	12	No
Northbridge.....	Salome C. Wheeler, Uxbridge, Mass.....	Uxbridge.....	17	12	5	3	0	No	No	283	0	2 kinds	1200	4	..	12	No
Bolton.....	Alfred Dow, Hudson, Mass.....	Bolton.....	55	40	39	6	0	Yes	No	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Totals.....			269	164	99	23	0	..	..	1306	4	..	3628	..	..	..	..
E. Vassalboro.....	Abbie P. Jenkins, Lamb's Corner, Me.....	Vassalboro.....	46	30	46	4	..	Yes	No	200	0	1 kind	1400	0	0	12	No
Oak Grove.....	Rufus M. Jones, Principal.....	Vassalboro.....	..	..	..	2	..	Yes	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Brooks.....	O. G. Hussey, Waldo Station, Me.....	Unity.....	25	12	..	3	..	No	No	60	10	..	..	1	0	12	No
Unity.....	Geo. W. Varney, Unity, Me.....	China.....	29	20	16	3	8	Yes	..	140	51	2 kinds	..	4	0	12	No
So. China.....	J. Albert Jones, So. China, Me.....	China.....	75	57	57	5	1	Yes	No	180	30	..	..	..	..	..	..
Maple Grove.....	J. W. Plummer, Fort Fairfield, Me.....	Maple Grove.....	35	30	12	5	8	Yes	No	..	..	..	..	0	0	0	No
Totals.....			206	149	136	22	17	..	..	550	91	..	1400	..	..	..	..
Dover.....	Mrs. E. F. Jenness, Dover, N. H.....	Dover.....	25	20	20	3	1	..	..	6	0	Friends	..	4	..	12	No
Meadorboro'.....	Anna M. Evans, Rochester, N. H.....	Dover.....	52	11	17	2	..	..	..	116	116	3 kinds	..	3	0	11	No
Gonic.....	Clarence J. Pinkham, Gonic, N. H.....	Dover.....	24	26	14	3	..	Yes	..	..	..	5 kinds	..	..	..	..	..
No. Berwick.....	Wm. T. Hussey, No. Berwick, Me.....	Berwick.....	12	10	12	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Totals.....			113	67	63	9	1	..	..	122	122	..	..	..	..	..	..
Winthrop Centre.....	C. I. Badley, Winthrop Centre, Me.....	Winthrop.....	150	109	100	12	6	No	Weekly	150	50	..	..	4	..	12	No
Manchester.....	Alfred W. Hawkes, Manchester, Me.....	Winthrop.....	31	24	15	3	..	Yes	..	272	17	1 kind	868	0	..	12	No
Sidney Centre.....	Sarah E. Shepherd, Centre Sidney, Me.....	Sidney.....	32	21	13	4	0	..	..	35	5	1 kind	500	4	..	12	No
No. Fairfield.....	Geo. A. Wing, North Fairfield, Me.....	Sidney.....	28	18	13	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Totals.....			241	172	141	23	6	..	..	457	72	..	1368	..	..	..	..
E. Parsonsfield.....	Silas H. Cartland, E. Parsonsfield, Me.....	Parsonsfield.....	45	25	39	3	..	Yes	No	240	0	3 kinds	500	8	2	12	No
No. Sandwich.....	Jos. J. Cartland, No. Sandwich, N. H.....	Sandwich.....	47	23	29	3	0	No	..	193	24	2 kinds	1040	3	0	12	No
Totals.....			92	48	68	6	0	..	..	438	24	..	1540	..	..	..	..

## SUMMARY.

QUARTERLY MEETINGS.	No. of Schools Reporting.	Total Membership.		Average Attendance.		Number of Friends.		No. Evidencing Change of Heart.	Teachers' Meetings.		Is Religious Interest Increasing?		Observance of Children's Day.	
				Number.	Percent of total Membership.				Yes.	No.	Yes.	No.	Yes.	No.
Rhode Island.....	9	552	374	68%	239	313	20	0	9	4	5	1	8	
Salem.....	12	613	402	66%	299	314	6	1	11	6	6	2	10	
Sandwich.....	7	371	237	64%	131	240	7	0	7	1	6	0	7	
Falmouth.....	6	324	198	61%	185	139	0	1	5	3	3	2	4	
Smithfield.....	5	269	164	61%	99	170	0	0	5	2	3	0	5	
Vassalboro.....	6	206	149	72%	136	70	17	0	6	4	2	0	6	
Dover.....	4	113	67	60%	63	50	1	0	4	0	4	0	4	
Fairfield.....	4	241	172	71%	141	100	6	1	3	1	3	0	4	
Parsonsfield.....	2	92	48	52%	68	24	0	0	2	1	1	0	2	
Totals.....	55	2781	1811	65%	1361	1420	57	3	52	22	33	5	50	

## ANSWERS TO QUERIES AS TO SPECIAL NEEDS OF SCHOOLS.

*From Rhode Island.*— More workers; more Bible study; less Quarterlies; scholars.

*From Salem.*— Help from outside Bible School workers; a musical instrument (two schools;) a larger library; maps; a new supt.; more children; greater interest among older Friends; more spiritual life; more thorough study; life and members; literature; cards for small classes.

*From Sandwich.*— More interest and scholars; more study of lesson before coming to class; more interest by parents.

*From Falmouth.*— Deeper interest by older members; larger library; more teachers; better supt.; more religious interest; more scholars; some one to visit families.

*From Dover.*— Library books.

*From Fairfield.*— No answers.

*From Smithfield.*— Conversion of two classes of young people; numbers; workers; outpouring of Holy Spirit on whole neighborhood; more members prepared and willing to act as substitute teachers.

*From Vassalboro.*— Consecrated teachers; library books; missionary spirit; papers and cards; something to create interest.

*From Parsonsfield.*— Revival; more interest on part of those who should be leaders.

Peloubet, Wilde & Co., Boston.....	By 33 Schools
Friends' Publishing Association, Chicago.....	" 28 "
Sunday School Times, Philadelphia.....	" 6 "
David C. Cook's, Chicago.....	" 4 "
Pilgrim, Congregational.....	" 2 "
Children's Magazine, Wattles, Philadelphia.....	" 2 "
Berean, Hunt & Eaton, New York.....	" 2 "
Vincent's S. S. Journal.....	" 1 "
Jesse H. Leonard, Albany, N. Y.....	" 1 "
Star Primary, F. B. Publishing Association, Boston.....	" 1 "

Since no statistical report was presented last year, it is impossible to make comparison as to the growth (for we sincerely hope there has been growth) in the membership of our schools. It is to be hoped, however, that, at every Yearly Meeting in the future, a complete report will be presented, that we may be fully informed of the condition and progress of this most important branch of our church work.

It will be noted that the average attendance of all schools has been 65 %; the minimum was 52 %, this being in Parsonsfield Quarterly Meeting; the maximum was 72 %, in Vassalboro' Quarterly Meeting. In Fairfield Quarterly Meeting the average was about the maximum or 71 %. It is interesting to note that the two Quarterly Meetings attaining the largest average attendance are in rural districts.

Out of a total membership of two thousand seven hundred and eighty-one, the number reported as having evidenced change of heart during the year is fifty-seven. We should earnestly seek, with the Lord's help, to increase the number during the coming year.

In reply to the question "Is the religious interest increasing?" twenty-two schools answer in a clear, unmistakable "Yes"; thirty-three say positively "No" or "Think so" or "Trust so," or "The interest remains good." We recognize the difficulty of always answering a question of this nature positively, but we hope in future we shall do so as far as is possible, and trust that one of our aims in school work during the coming year may be to enable us to bring up from all quarters clear, unmistakable testimony that the interest *is increasing*.

In answer to the question "Do you observe Children's Day?" only five report that they have; fifty saying they have not. Let us remember, dear friends, that in our Bible School work the interests of the children are or should be the chief consideration. In late years it has become a general practice to set apart one day, at least, for special exercises by the children, and of special interest to them. We shall be successful in drawing the children in and doing them good just in proportion as we make our schools interesting to them.

We are glad to note that so large a proportion, almost one half, of our membership are *not* Friends. It gives us a good opportunity for the spread of Divine truth, and may it result in enlarging our borders.

We regret that so few report the holding of frequent and regular Teachers' Meetings. In the complete occupation of our time made by the demands of modern life, the Teachers' Meeting of all departments of Bible School work is perhaps most neglected. On the other hand it is almost universally conceded by Sunday School workers everywhere, that the Teachers' Meeting, when held and managed as it should be, is a most important factor in making the Bible School a success.

It is interesting to note the diversity of replies coming up from the several Quarterly Meetings as to the "*special needs*" of schools. Some of our Quarterly Meeting Superintendents have called attention to many points in our work needing attention and have made valuable suggestions as to how best to secure the results desired. One in particular refers to

certain localities where only lack of proper effort is responsible for schools not being larger. House to house canvass is referred to as being much desired, and in another Quarterly Meeting preliminary steps have already been taken to secure a worker who shall devote time in such visiting of homes, in the endeavor to reach children and bring them into our schools.

Did opportunity permit, it would be beneficial to discuss some of these questions here, but they must be referred to another department of our Bible School work, — one of great importance, and one which has been much neglected by our Society in recent years. We refer to the holding of annual conferences, in which we may come together from all parts of the Yearly Meeting, for discussion of the best methods of work and promotion of general interest in every way.

It is true that in several Quarterly Meetings, quarterly or semi-annual conferences have been held, and some of them during the past year. We believe these have been helpful and profitable. But they are very limited in time for work, and do not serve to bring together the interests of the whole Yearly Meeting.

On the 19th and 20th of Fourth Month last, such a general conference was held at Portland, delegates being present from many sections of the Yearly Meeting. It was a very interesting and profitable occasion, a copy of the programme being herewith submitted.

## P R O G R A M M E .

### THIRD DAY. AFTERNOON SESSION.

- 2.00 Devotional Service.
- 2.20 Address of Welcome. HARRY WOOD, So. Portland, Maine.  
 Response. FRANK E. JONES, So. China, Me.
- 2.45 Objects of the Conference and Means of Securing Them. GEORGE L. CROSMAN.
- 3.05 Should the Church look for Conversions in the Sabbath School? DAVID J. DOUGLAS, Hallowell, Me.  
 Discussion by the Conference.
- 4.00 How to Secure the Conversion of a Sabbath School Class. ELIZABETH T. LARKIN, Peabody, Mass.

### EVENING SESSION.

- 7.30 Bible Lecture with Stereopticon Illustrations. H. W. SHAYLOR, Portland, Me.

### FOURTH DAY. MORNING SESSION.

- 9.00 Devotional Service.
- 9.30 Might not some more direct relation exist between the Sabbath School and the Society, to the advantage of both? HARRIETTE D. COLLINS, Hopkinton, R. I.

## Discussion.

- 10.15 Can any System of Gradation be adopted which shall be an Incentive to a Thorough Knowledge of the Bible?  
W. P. PINKHAM, Portland, Me.

## Discussion.

- 11.00 How to keep the Young Man in the Sabbath School.  
CHARLES H. PINKHAM, Portland, Me.  
ELWOOD BAILEY, Winthrop, Me.  
L. G. MARCH, Portland, Me.

- 11.40 The Book.  
HANNAH T. PRATT, Deering, Me.

## AFTERNOON SESSION.

- 2.00 Praise Service.  
2.15 Uses and Abuses of Lesson Helps.  
ANNA F. HALL, Windham Centre, Me.  
2.30 Relation of Friends' Sabbath School to the Spread of Quakerism.  
GEORGE H. FARR, Lewiston, Me.  
JESSE MCPHERSON, Winthrop, Me.

## Discussion.

- 3.30 What shall our Children Read?  
HANNAH J. BAILEY, Winthrop, Me.  
3.50 Question Box.  
4.30 Closing Exercises.

While the total attendance was not large, the interest developed was great and a large amount of good work accomplished. The Field Worker of the Maine State Sunday School Association who was present called it one of the best working conventions he ever attended. For several reasons we were greatly limited in time for organizing and planning it, but the results showed that had it been held at a more central point, where a larger number would have attended, and with sufficient time for preparation, it would have been, in importance, an occasion second only to the Yearly Meeting itself. We found that two days were not enough to satisfy us in the time allowable for the several subjects under discussion, and during the coming year it is hoped we may have a *three days'* convention. If this could be made an annual institution, we know not what good might result, not only to our Bible School interests, but to the general welfare of the Yearly Meeting.

If we conduct our Bible School work as we should, conduct it as we do our business, for a definite purpose and for definite results,— the salvation of souls and the upbuilding of the Church,— we shall seek every means of improving our methods and enabling us to work to best advantage. May the Lord bless us in our efforts in this direction during the coming year.

Before closing it is our duty to present to this Yearly Meeting a request coming to you from the Conference held at Portland. It is as follows:—

## TO NEW ENGLAND YEARLY MEETING:

The Bible School Conference of New England Yearly Meeting, held at Portland, Fourth Month 19th and 20th, 1892, being deeply impressed with

the importance of a more intimate relation between the Bible Schools and the Church, united in requesting the Yearly Meeting to provide for such a relation.

1. By authorizing all the Bible Schools to report regularly once in three months to the Quarterly Meetings.

2. By authorizing the appointment of Quarterly Meeting Superintendents as a medium of communication between the Meetings and the Schools and through whom the required reports may be presented.

3. By the adoption of a suitable query to be answered by Monthly and Quarterly Meetings respecting the maintenance and condition of these schools.

By direction of the Conference.

In closing, we recommend that the request coming up from the Conference be granted.

On behalf of the Yearly Meeting's Committee on Bible Schools.

GEO. L. CROSMAN, *General Supt.*

NEWPORT, Sixth Month 13th. 1892.

#### REPORT OF TREASURER OF COMMITTEE ON BIBLE SCHOOLS.

##### RECEIPTS.

4th Mo.	5	Received of Treasurer of Boston Preparative Meeting	\$5 00
" "	7	" " " " " Winthrop Monthly Meeting	7 50
" "	27	" " " " " Berwick " "	5 00
" "	"	" " " " " Fall River " "	3 45
" "	20	By Collection at Portland Conference	15 50
5th "	2	Received of Treasurer of Westport Monthly Meeting	5 00
" "	5	" " " " " Smithfield " "	2 25
6th "	1	" " " " " Uxbridge " "	3 00
" "	7	" " " " " Falmouth " "	2 00
" "	"	" " " " " Weare " "	5 30
" "	"	" " " " " Salem " "	20 84
" "	13	" " " " " China " "	1 39
			\$76 23

##### EXPENDITURES.

4th Mo.	20	Travelling Expenses of Worker at Conference	10 00
" "	"	" " " " " " " " " "	6 00
" "	"	" " " " " " " " " "	5 00
" "	"	" " " " " Stereopticon Lecture " "	10 00
" "	"	" " " " " Stationery and Postage	1 69
5th "	4	Printing cards and programmes	8 17
6th "	21	Postage	1 50
Balance on hand			32 17
			\$76 23

C. IRVING BAILEY, *Treasurer.*

The statistical information given in this report was exceedingly interesting and we rejoice that our younger Friends are so earnestly carrying on this work. We feel that there is a close connection between the prosperity of our Bible Schools and our Meetings for worship, and that one acts favorably upon the other. We desire the encouragement of this Committee and trust that all our members will co-operate with them in the work of the Lord.

By direction of the Meeting the recommendations contained in this report were referred to a committee to be proposed by the Nominating Committee. They shall also suggest a name for Yearly Meeting Superintendent of Bible Schools who shall be Chairman of the Committee to be named.

44. The Committee on Nominations presented the names of a Committee to report next year in regard to the recognition of a greater variety of gifts in the Church. (See Minute No. 35.)

They also propose the names of a Committee to memorialize the President, Congress, and Commissioners, in regard to closing the Exposition at Chicago on the Sabbath, and the sale of intoxicating liquors on the grounds; also on behalf of the suffering Freedmen of the South, and in relation to the outrages perpetrated in Alaska. (See Minutes 36 and 37.)

The names were approved and will appear in the proper place in the Minutes.

45. This Meeting is informed that there is some defect in the deed of conveyance of certain property in Washington, D. C., conveyed to John C. Gove. We refer the matter to the Representatives now in attendance of this Meeting for their consideration.

Adjourned to meet in separate sessions at 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

THIRD-DAY MORNING, 14th.

The Meeting assembled pursuant to adjournment.

46. The epistle from London Yearly Meeting was now read to our edification.

47. The Meeting now entered upon the consideration of the State of Society as presented in the answers to the queries.

The answers are as follows, viz. : —

#### SUMMARY ANSWERS.

ANS. 1. All our meetings for worship and discipline have been regularly held, except thirty-six reported, most of which have been omitted on account of inclement weather and the prevailing sickness of the last winter. Meetings on First day are generally well attended, while those in the middle of the week are much neglected, except in one case where the meeting is held in the evening. With little exception the hour is observed.

ANS. 2. With little exception, love and unity are maintained and detraction guarded against. Endeavors are used to end differences when they appear.

ANS. 3. With few exceptions Friends are careful to maintain a religious life and conversation. Some deficiency exists in training children in accordance with our Christian profession.

ANS. 4. We think the Holy Scriptures are frequently read in most Friends' families, individually and collectively, and that they encourage their children and others in this practice. Our testimony to a free gospel ministry is maintained with very few exceptions.

ANS. 5. With twenty-three exceptions Friends are clear of the use of intoxicating liquors as a beverage. Generally careful to avoid amusements and diversions inconsistent with a Christian character, and to observe true moderation in all things.

ANS. 6. The circumstances of the poor have received attention, and care is taken to educate their children.

ANS. 7. With a few exceptions Friends are faithful in maintaining our testimony against bearing arms and other military matters. Seven Quarterly Meetings report exceptions in regard to oaths. No defrauding of the public revenue.

ANS. 8. Nearly all Friends are careful in observing the several parts of this query.

ANS. 9. Nearly clear as to records. Some removals without certificates.

ANS. 10. The discipline is administered in tenderness and impartially, though not in all cases as timely as would be best.

It is the judgment of this Meeting that our subordinate Meetings be directed through their Overseers or a Committee for that purpose, to obtain definitely the number of those Friends who do not read the Holy Scriptures daily in their families.

#### MINUTE ON THE STATE OF SOCIETY.

In considering the state of Society we were reminded that if we would be benefited by the examination of the queries, we must examine them in the presence of the Great Searcher of hearts. The importance of attend-

ing our Meetings for Divine worship was impressed upon us. The purpose of worship is for the soul to come near in reverent adoration before God. "Worship is the adoring response of the soul to the influence of the spirit of God." The thought was lovingly expressed that we are losing ground by not encouraging intervals of living silence in our Meetings for worship. "In silence is the hiding of spiritual power." Our Divine Master leads His servants to feel the needs of those who should be fed and instructed, and strengthens them to labor in word and doctrine; and it is in silence that He is pleased at times to seal upon the hearts of men their instruction. With reference to the third query we were reminded that we cannot maintain anything until we have it to maintain. We must be born from above before we have the religious life to maintain. In this new life it becomes our duty and also our joy to search the Scriptures. The daily devotional reading of the Holy Scriptures was held to be a duty which we owe to our families, and also necessary to our individual growth and maintenance in the Divine life. If we do not find an altar at our homes we shall not be likely to go to the place of worship to seek one. Sorrow was expressed at the growing laxity among our members in regard to oaths. The oath is a priestly thing. The affirmation says, "If I tell a falsehood I submit to the penalties of the law,"—the oath involves the penalties of the judgment to come. The world says that it is not needful to speak the truth unless bound by an oath. The law of Christ says we must have truth in the inward parts and speak the truth at all times. "Let your yea be yea, and your nay, nay." We were exhorted to firmly maintain that truth in which our Society has stood forth in noble testimony, at the cost of blood, and purchased freedom for us. It was earnestly advised that the truths of the Gospel as held by Friends be taught in our Bible Schools, and instilled into the minds of children while young.

A message from a Congregational minister across the water, was delivered to us by our dear friend, George Grubb of Ireland.

"The churches need the continued testimony of the Society of Friends to the spiritual nature of the kingdom of Christ. Tell Friends not to be adopting our methods, for they fall short of what Friends profess, and they will only prove a fallure."

Adjourned to meet in joint session this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

AFTERNOON.

Met in joint session pursuant to adjournment.

48. The Committee on Temperance presented their Report, which is as follows, viz. :—

#### REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TEMPERANCE.

Although the Yearly Meeting's Committee on Temperance has found it impracticable to meet since it was organized, the reports of the various

members show that much earnest, persevering effort has been put forth for the cause of Temperance.

While we are glad to report the faithful service rendered by many, we can but feel that much more might have been done, if, at the time of its organization, a plan had been adopted, giving a definite work to each member of the Committee.

We recommend this arrangement to our successors. From the reports we learn that the temperance lessons are very generally taught once a month in the First-day Schools throughout the Yearly Meeting. At Parsonsfield, Me., a temperance meeting was held in the evening at the time of the Quarterly Meeting, and was well attended. A Temperance Band of twenty members was formed among the children, all of whom have taken the triple pledge. At this place a temperance lesson is taught once in two weeks.

At Lawrence, Mass., four public meetings have been held, and Friends are enthusiastic workers in the cause of Temperance. One member of the Committee in her report writes, "I have distributed literature, sent papers, introduced resolutions in Town Conventions, written articles for the papers, and held many Gospel Temperance meetings."

She adds that sickness all through the winter prevented her from doing as much work as she had hoped to do when she received her appointment.

Interesting meetings have been held at Vassalboro, Me., and Oak Grove Seminary. The latter was addressed by Mrs. Gleason of Boston, and both were well attended. A meeting was also held at Friends' School in Providence, R. I., where Mrs. Gleason gave a very interesting and instructive lecture on the subject of Narcotics and their Effects. This was followed by a brief, but energetic address from the principal of the School, indorsing and re-enforcing the words of the previous speaker. The injurious effects of alcohol and narcotics on the human system have been presented to the class in Physiology, and the prevailing sentiment in the School is strongly against their use.

One college, several high schools, and many schools of a lower grade have been visited and addressed on the subject of Temperance. Temperance literature has been widely and, we trust, judiciously distributed. More than one hundred boys and girls in the New Hampshire Industrial School have been supplied, by one of our number, with Illustrated Temperance Papers, published by Friends in Chicago. Monthly temperance exercises have also been conducted in this school.

Many other institutions in different localities, also railroad and fire engine stations have been supplied with temperance papers and tracts. In other cases they have been handed out to meet individual needs as suitable opportunities have been offered.

From the report of the Superintendent of Literature, we learn that he has had calls from thirty persons, mostly members of the committee, for literature of different kinds, all of which have been supplied. Early in the year, there came a few orders that were not filled, owing to the fact

that there was no money in the treasury. The new method of raising funds caused a delay of about six months in getting any money.

Number of pages distributed . . . . .	45,267
Number of cards (picture, and triple pledge) . . . . .	823
Number of pages of library matter . . . . .	8,504

In nearly every locality, where any temperance work has been done by the Committee, we notice that the young people and children have been especially remembered.

Doubtless we are all of the opinion that they constitute our most hopeful field of labor. Our Superintendent of Juvenile Work informs us that, from a careful survey of the field, she is convinced that Gospel Temperance Work, in our Bible Schools, keeps pace with other religious work in our Society, and that we have many devoted laborers in this department all over New England Yearly Meeting.

In most of the places from which we have heard, through the Committee, there have been from one to four public meetings. Our Committee on Lectures reports that twenty-five lectures, and many more than that number of brief addresses, have been given during the year by members of the Committee, and by others under their auspices.

The amount of money expended by the Committee, during the past year, does not equal that of previous years, for the reason before alluded to, as will be seen by the Treasurer's report. We desire to express our deep regret for the outrages which have been committed in Alaska, upon the Missionaries of Kansas Yearly Meeting, while engaged in enforcing the Prohibitory Law, which resulted in the death of one, and the barbarous treatment of another.

We recommend that this important work be continued, and placed under the care of a new Committee, and that two hundred dollars be raised for its use.

Respectfully submitted,

M. AUGUSTA BATTEY, *Secretary.*

NEWPORT, Sixth Month 13th, 1892.

We appreciate the labors of our dear friends, in their efforts to stem the tide of evil which is flooding our land.

We feel that this is no time to relax our efforts, but that each one of us is responsible, to a certain extent, for the continuance of this evil.

We desire that all may be faithful to their God in their homes, in their business vocations, and at the Polls.

That total abstinence for the individual, and prohibition for the nation, may be the motto of every life.

The nomination of some Friends, to have the care of this subject for the coming year, was referred to the Nominating Committee.

COMMITTEE ON TEMPERANCE *in account with* SAMUEL BUFFUM, *Treasurer.*

RECEIPTS.

Received from the Monthly Meetings . . . . .	\$153 79
Received from Fairfield Quarterly Meeting . . . . .	20 78
Received collection at two public meetings . . . . .	11 17
Received from Boston Preparative Meeting . . . . .	5 00
Received from Amesbury Y. P. S. C. E. . . . .	1 61
Received from children in Manchester, Me. . . . .	1 00
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	\$193 35

PAYMENTS.

Paid John F. Chase, Literature Department . . . . .	58 07
Paid Hannah J. Bailey, Lecture Department . . . . .	99 27
Paid the Secretary, postage expense . . . . .	1 00
Balance on hand . . . . .	35 01
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	\$193 35

49. The Committee on Peace have presented their Annual Report, viz. : —

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PEACE.

TO THE YEARLY MEETING :

The Committee has met three times since its appointment. As it will appear from our Treasurer's report, we have made an appropriation to defray the expenses of Susan T. Fessenden who delivered an address before the pupils of the Friends' School at Providence on the evils and the unchristian character of war, in such a manner, we believe, as to enforce the regular instruction at the school on the subject, and to make a permanent impression. We have also made an appropriation towards the support of the "Messenger of Peace and Christian Arbitrator."

Especially through the earnest zeal of one of our members, about twelve thousand pages of peace tracts and leaflets have been distributed in the past year, among persons by whom, it was thought, they would be read and appreciated.

In Second Month last we sent a memorial to the President and the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States, in favor of the calling by our Government of a Conference of representatives of the more important governments of the world to meet at Chicago at some time during the Columbian Exhibition in 1893, and to take measures in furtherance of the adoption of arbitration as a means of settling all international disputes.

We have appointed our friend Thomas J. Battey as our delegate to the Universal Peace Congress to be held this year at Berne.

The testimony which the Society of Friends, as a branch of Christ's Church, bears and has always borne to Peace as a part of the Good Tidings which Christ brought to the world, is clear and unmistakable. May this testimony be maintained faithfully by every member of our Society. We place no high estimate on the efficacy of special formal organizations and stated meetings in behalf of this cause, especially on the part of a Society, which is so small in its numbers and resources as ours, and whose testimony on this subject is already so well and so widely known; but we think that the Committee of the Yearly Meeting should always stand ready to encourage and aid any fresh movement in advocacy of Peace which may be prompted by the Holy Spirit.

Under the Divine influence, as we believe, the Representative Meeting in 1888 issued a declaration entitled, "War an unnecessary evil forbidden by Christ, and contrary to Scripture," which has proved to be a very efficacious and useful document, and upwards of one hundred and twenty thousand copies of which have been printed and circulated.

It has given us great pleasure to commend and circulate the excellent oration on "The Coming Peace" delivered "before the City Council and Citizens of Boston, July 4, 1891," by Josiah Quincy. The able and eloquent speaker, the bearer of an historic name, spoke of the doctrine of non-resistance as "nobly maintained by one body of Christ's followers," and gave high credit to William Penn as the originator of the very idea of an international tribunal for the settlement of international disputes. A fresh document like this, from such a source, is sure of receiving attention even from the most cultivated and intelligent persons to whom it is sent, while the ordinary peace tracts and publications are in frequent danger of being thrown into the waste basket.

The election of our Friend, Benjamin F. Trueblood, to the important and influential office of Secretary of the American Peace Society, has given us great satisfaction. With his high and varied qualifications for the post, we trust that he may be enabled for many years to render great service to the cause.

We wish to call the attention of Friends purposing to travel in Europe, to the favorable opportunity which the present state of that continent, oppressed by militarism, affords for the advocacy of Peace. Peace tracts can be obtained in almost all of the European languages, and many are now ready to read them eagerly as well as to listen to the words of those who set forth the wickedness and the impolicy of war.

Whether at home or abroad, may we all be loyal to the Prince of Peace.

On behalf of the Committee,

THOMAS CHASE, *Chairman*.

NEWPORT, Sixth Month 14th, 1892.

We rejoice in the evidence afforded that the early testimony of our Society against all wars and fightings is making its way among

the nations of the earth. The earnest and varied work of the Committee during the past year is appreciated, and we trust they will embrace every right opening for the promotion of this blessed cause.

The nomination of a Committee on Peace is referred to the Nominating Committee.

SAMUEL R. BUFFINTON, TREASURER OF THE YEARLY MEETING'S COMMITTEE  
ON PEACE.

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To amount received from Fairfield Monthly Meeting . . .	\$15 00
“ “ “ “ Weare “ “ . . .	10 00
“ “ “ “ Providence “ “ . . .	5 00
“ “ “ “ Amesbury “ “ . . .	5 00
“ “ “ “ Salem “ “ . . .	4 64
“ “ “ “ Falmouth “ “ . . .	3 00
“ “ “ “ Berwick “ “ . . .	3 00
“ “ “ “ Westport “ “ . . .	2 50
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	\$48 14

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By amount paid expense of Lecture on Peace at Friends' School . . . . .	\$12 00
By amount contributed by Committee to the “Messenger of Peace and Christian Arbitrator” . . . . .	25 00
Balance on hand . . . . .	11 14
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	\$48 14

SAMUEL R. BUFFINTON, *Treasurer*.

NEWPORT, Sixth Month 13th, 1892.

50. The Report of the Young Friends' Christian Fellowship Union, was then read and is as follows, viz. :—

REPORT OF THE YOUNG FRIENDS' CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP  
UNION.

TO THE YEARLY MEETING :

In making this our first report to the Yearly Meeting, it may perhaps be well to explain at the outset the nature of this society which has been formed among you.

It is really a portion of that great Society of Christian Endeavor which has taken such a remarkable hold upon the young people of every denomination all over the world. Our object is to enlarge the kingdom of the Master, to stimulate our members and others to lives of Christian activity and purity, and to promote attachment and loyalty to the Church. Our motto, “For Christ and the Church.”

Our chief organ is the prayer meeting, held weekly by each auxiliary society and to which not only members but every one is welcomed, and we can with deep thankfulness say that many times in these meetings, though often we have been few in numbers, yet the Master whom we are striving to serve has been with and blessed us in a wonderful degree.

As young people can best be helped by other young people, we who have tasted and seen that the Lord is indeed good are trying in every way, individually as well as through our Look-out, Social, and Prayer meeting Committees, to bring other young people to a knowledge of the Master and his wonderful love for each one of us, and our prayers for others have sometimes been so abundantly answered, that we have felt that surely it was the Lord's doing, and marvellous in our eyes.

To promote attachment and loyalty to the Church. This part of our object too, receives its due attention among us, and we can truly say that never before have the young people of New England Yearly Meeting felt a deeper and truer love for our branch of the Church of Christ than to-day; and others who have come into our meetings from outside have come to respect and love the principles which are so dear to us.

The membership in the different societies is divided into two classes: the Active Membership list which consists of earnest young Christians who sincerely desire to accomplish our object, and the Associate Membership list consisting of young people of worthy character who desire to be connected with the society and yet are not at present willing to be considered decided Christians, and for this latter class we are continually praying that they may be willing to be known as Christians.

With the exception of Dover and Parsonsfield Quarters, each Quarterly Meeting has within its limits one or more of these societies with an average membership of about thirty active and eight associate members, and a total membership of over five hundred. The largest society is that at Friends' Boarding School, Providence, R. I., with sixty-seven active and thirty-two associate members.

In the past year four new societies have been organized, at East Vassalboro, Unity, China Neck, and Hallowell, Me., and of our members who were not already Friends, eleven have requested for membership.

An important branch of this society is the Junior work, under the care of some member who is interested in the welfare of the children, and who will be in return loved and respected by them.

As yet there is only one of these Junior Societies in the Yearly Meeting, but that one is a source of encouragement and rejoicing to the older society in that place as it notes the decided change and improvement in many of the juniors. We are anxious that in the coming year more of this work among the children may be done, for it is certainly a most fruitful and interesting field.

And now, in conclusion, may we not ask your prayers that in the coming year our work for the Master may be more effectual, that we may be the instruments in His hands of bringing many souls to Him and of strength-

ening and encouraging those who already are at work in His vineyard, remembering that "One is your master, even Christ, and all ye are brethren."

ARTHUR M. HUSSEY, *President.*

MARY S. PAIGE, *Secretary.*

NOTE.—It was decided to change the name of this Society to Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor.

"We can have no higher joy than to see our children walking in the truth." And we welcome this simple story of the work carried on by our young Friends during the past year.

We desire their encouragement in every good word and work, and trust that in the days to come we shall realize the truth of the declaration, "Instead of the Fathers there shall be the children."

51. A report has been presented, by the Committee having charge of our aged Friend, Dougal McNab, from the British Provinces, which has been read and accepted, viz. :—

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE IN CARE OF A FRIEND FROM  
THE BRITISH PROVINCES.

TO THE YEARLY MEETING :

The Committee in care of the Friend from the British Provinces report that they have given attention to the object of their appointment. Several visits have been paid him, during the year, by a part of the Committee, which appeared to afford him, in his infirmity and age, real comfort and encouragement. He was always cheerful and happy, evincing great love and attachment to his friends, and gratitude for their generous support.

The aid furnished by the Yearly Meeting, last year, was applied to his use and benefit, making the closing year of his life more comfortable.

In Second Month last, he passed peacefully and sweetly on to his heavenly home, in the ninety-seventh year of his age. He had long been waiting and watching for the change.

His remains were interred in one of Friends' burying-grounds, in China, Me.

ALFRED H. JONES,  
HANNAH J. BAILEY,  
WILLIAM H. BEALE,

NEWPORT, Sixth Month, 1892.

*Committee.*

There being a deficiency of seventy-five dollars, on account of expenses incurred, the Treasurer of the Yearly Meeting is authorized to pay the same to the Committee in charge.

52. The Committee on the New Method of raising Funds was read and approved, viz. :—

## REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE NEW METHOD OF RAISING FUNDS.

### TO THE YEARLY MEETING:

The Committee under appointment to carry out the provisions of the plan for raising funds in the Yearly Meeting have carefully considered its practical workings for the past year, and we are encouraged with the success of this system in the Monthly Meetings, where it has been tried.

We now recommend that the report as adopted at our last Yearly Meeting, with some transpositions of sentences and some verbal changes to make it better understood, be printed again in our Minutes this year, and the method thus in practice by envelopes be continued.

The plan as revised is herewith given.

By direction and on behalf of the Committee,

ROBERT P. GIFFORD, *Clerk.*

NEWPORT, R. I., Sixth Month 10th, 1892.

This is a revision of the plan proposed last year and is commended to the attention of our members with the hope that in the coming year, there may be a more perfect understanding of the system, and a fuller carrying out of the same.

### A PLAN FOR CHRISTIAN GIVING.

The necessity of system in Christian giving is very generally recognized, and together with the principle of proportionate giving, have their warrant in the words of Scripture: "Upon the first day of the week let every one of you lay by him in store, as God hath prospered him, that there be no gatherings when I come." (1 Cor. xvi. 2.) "The tenth shall be holy unto the Lord." (Lev. xxvii. 32.) "Unto whomsoever much is given, of him shall be much required." (Luke xii. 48.)

We believe there are many among us who may be sharers of blessings not yet known, when quickened by the Gospel teaching, "Every man according as he purposeth in his heart, so let him give; not grudgingly, or of necessity: for God loveth a cheerful giver." (2 Cor. ix. 7.)

The Mosaic standard relating to tithes and offerings for the Lord's work was not lost sight of by the early Christian Church, but rather did the ancient system of giving receive a new impulse when brought under the power of that sacrifice which was "the offering of Himself once for all."

#### 1st. *Duties of Yearly Meeting's Committee on Finance.*

The Yearly Meeting's Committee on Finance shall annually issue a Circular Letter to our Members containing a statement of the several amounts which are necessary to be raised for Yearly Meeting expenses (including obligations which may have been assumed), and for the charitable and benevolent objects under its care, these latter amounts having been specified in the annual reports to the Yearly Meeting by the respec-

tive Committees, and are to be provided for by the free-will offerings of our members.

The Circular Letter shall also embody such other items of interest and advice relating to finances as may have claimed the attention of the Yearly Meeting, and shall give such directions about the use of the envelopes as may seem to be required. It shall contain suitable blanks in which to enter, if desired, an estimate of Monthly and Preparative Meeting expenses with the individual apportionments. The following form is recommended:—

The amount which ..... Monthly Meeting has directed to be raised to meet expenses the ensuing year, including its quota of Yearly and Quarterly stock is \$ .....

Quota of the above amount for .....	Preparative Meeting \$.....
Current expenses for .....	Preparative Meeting \$.....
Total . . . . .	\$.....

Thy proportion of the above amount is about ..... per month.  
..... Treasurer.

The Yearly Meeting's Committee on Finance shall issue subscription envelopes, which shall express in printed form every item for which funds are desired, with suitable space for figures. They shall contain a blank for the number assigned to the donor, and be arranged for monthly contributions from our members and others who may desire to aid our work. These shall be forwarded with the Circular Letter in their respective proportions, to each Monthly Meeting for distribution by its finance committee. The Yearly Meeting's Committee on Finance shall also furnish the treasurers of subordinate meetings, at a nominal price, with the initial book of entry for keeping the accounts under this system.

#### 2d. *Duties of Monthly Meetings and their Finance Committee.*

In each Monthly Meeting a committee on finance, representing each Preparative Meeting within its limits, shall be annually appointed after the official communication is received from the Yearly Meeting's Committee on Finance.

This committee shall assist the treasurer of the Monthly Meeting in the apportionment and collection of all funds required for meeting expenses, and in receiving and forwarding all free-will offerings that may be contributed toward the objects named in the Circular Letter.

When a Monthly Meeting consists of more than one Preparative Meeting, the treasurer of the Monthly Meeting shall designate one member of the finance committee for each Preparative Meeting, to have charge of its receipts and disbursements, who shall report the same annually to the Preparative Meeting if desired, and also to the treasurer of the Monthly Meeting.

The treasurer shall make an index in his book of entry of those who may be donors, giving each a number, and when members of one family prefer to be indexed under one number, the Treasurer may adapt his record to such choice.

He shall, with the aid of the finance committee, number twelve envelopes for monthly offerings from each, writing the index number at the upper left-hand corner and with the envelopes, each donor shall be given a copy of the Circular Letter after filling in the proper blanks.

As the envelopes return from the donors, the treasurer shall enter the items in the cash book, stating the number of envelope and name of month when payment is made, with the respective amounts in the proper columns, and shall forward the totals to the respective treasurers of committees, having in charge the work for which the money is specifically given. These remittances shall be made quarterly or as often as shall best suit the needs of the working committees.

### 3d. *Duties of Individual Members.*

Each member, who is able to do so, is desired to enclose in the envelope, monthly contributions toward the item "Meeting Expenses" as apportioned by the finance committee, but if preferred the amount may be paid proportionately semi-annually or annually. He is also earnestly entreated to contribute free-will offerings for any or all the other objects named in the Circular Letter, as may be consistent with his duty to God as a steward of property entrusted to him, being careful always to give an honest reply to the query, "How much owest thou unto my Lord?"

If the donor has no choice how his offerings shall be appropriated, the amount may be placed against the item, "General Fund," and the finance committee of the Monthly Meeting will distribute it among the objects named as in its judgment seems best.

53. George H. Farr was appointed to serve on the Nominating Committee in place of John J. Frye who has been obliged to return home.

54. The Representatives from Sandwich Quarterly Meeting propose the name of John B. Baylies; Falmouth proposes the name of Charles M. Jones, and Fairfield the name of Joseph E. Briggs to serve on the Finance Committee from their respective Quarterly Meetings, which nominations are approved by this Meeting.

55. The subject of the appointment of delegates to the Conference of American Yearly Meetings to be held at Indianapolis, Ind., in the Tenth Month next, claimed the attention of the Meeting, and it was the united judgment of Friends, that such a committee be appointed, consisting of five delegates and four alternates, and Alfred H. Jones, Henry C. Aydelott, Harriette D. Collins, Jesse McPherson, Ellen K. Buffum, Joseph E. Briggs,

William O. Newhall, William Thompson, and David B. Wheeler, were appointed a Committee to propose to this Meeting at a future session the names of suitable Friends to constitute said Committee. They were also requested to nominate two Friends and two Alternates to attend the opening of Wilmington Yearly Meeting.

56. The Committee on Nominations presented the names of Friends for a Committee on Western Indians, which were approved and will appear later in the Minutes.

57. The names of Friends to constitute a Bible School Committee were now presented, and approved by the Meeting, and will appear later in the Minutes.

Adjourned to meet in separate sessions to-morrow morning at ten o'clock.

FOURTH-DAY MORNING THE 15TH. — Friends assembled in separate sessions pursuant to adjournment.

58. The Committee on the disbursement of the income of the Mosher Fund, and Trustees of the Mosher Fund, have presented their reports, which are satisfactory to the Meeting, and the same committee is reappointed for that service, the coming year.

The report is as follows, viz. : —

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON INCOME OF THE MOSHER FUND.

##### TO THE YEARLY MEETING :

The Committee on the disbursement of the income of the Mosher Fund would report that for books in Arabic for the Ramallah Mission, the sum of ten dollars (\$10.00) was expended.

One hundred and fifty-six copies of the Friends' Review, and fifty-five copies of the Christian Worker have been subscribed for.

One hundred and forty-seven copies of the book entitled "Glimpses of George Fox and his Friends" by Jane Budge, have been distributed.

Less money than usual has been available during the year, on account of the change in the trusteeship of the fund, consequently the committee have not been able to accomplish as much as they would otherwise have done.

ALFRED H. JONES, *Chairman.*  
SARAH MARBLE, *Secretary.*

NEWPORT, R. I., Sixth Month 13th, 1892.

INCOME OF H. H. MOSHER FUND.—TREASURER'S REPORT.

RECEIPTS.

Balance from former account . . . . .	\$207 69	
Received from Trustees . . . . .	500 00	
Received interest on savings bank deposit . . . . .	5 44	
		\$713 13

PAYMENTS.

Etta H. Johnston for books in Arabic for Ramallah Mission . . . . .	\$10 00	
147 copies "Glimpses of George Fox" . . . . .	158 05	
Subscription 55 copies Christian Worker . . . . .	55 00	
Subscription 156 copies Friends' Review . . . . .	234 00	
7 copies "Making most of Life" . . . . .	6 16	
7 copies "Quaker Pictures" . . . . .	8 85	
Postage and Expenses . . . . .	4 68	
		\$476 74
Balance to new account . . . . .		\$236 39

J. E. PAIGE, *Treasurer.*

LYNN, Sixth Month 6th, 1892.

59. The following summary of the Answers to the Queries of the Meeting on Ministry and Oversight together with a minute adopted by that meeting were now presented and read, viz. :—

SUMMARY OF ANSWERS TO THE QUERIES OF THE YEARLY MEETING ON MINISTRY AND OVERSIGHT.

TO THE YEARLY MEETING :

*First.* — With few exceptions our members are diligent in attending our meetings for worship and discipline. Careful to promote the attendance of our families.

*Second.* — We are generally in unity one with another, and with the meetings to which we belong, harmoniously laboring together in gathering unto Christ.

*Third.* — We are engaged frequently in searching the Holy Scriptures, prayerfully seeking a right understanding of their contents under the enlightening influence of the Holy Spirit; we are careful not to misquote or misapply them.

MINUTE FROM THE YEARLY MEETING ON MINISTRY AND OVERSIGHT.

While we have been favored to be together "in the unity of the Spirit," a deep concern for the welfare of Zion has been apparent among us, and the blessing of our Heavenly Father was invoked for the salvation of souls and for the establishing of His kingdom. "We are nothing, Christ is all."

“According to your faith be it unto you.” As the work of the Church in the saving of souls and the building up of believers was testified to by witnesses, we felt to give God the glory and bless Him for the privilege of sharing the joy that begins in heaven “over one sinner that repenteth,” and we believe He is answering the fervent prayers of the Church for a revival of His work among us. The contentious spirit has no place among us, but we are laboring in Christian love and forbearance in gathering unto Christ.

With a full recognition of His power and presence as Master of Assemblies and Head of His Church, we believe we shall be able to declare “the unsearchable riches of Christ.” And our labor is not in vain as we permit “the very God of Peace to sanctify us wholly.”

Success in the work for the Master can be assured only by abiding in Him.

As we open our hearts to the Great Searcher of hearts, we find Him meeting our needs, affording us wisdom, grace, and strength, and bringing us into those experiences which increase our powers to preach the everlasting gospel.

In much tenderness we were reminded that our Lord and Master wants us to do the best we can under the circumstances in which we are placed, that there are diversities of gifts, the exercise of which the Church stands in daily need, and that “clothed with His righteousness” and “filled with all the fulness of God,” we are to go forth teaching all nations, “baptizing them into the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost,” comforted by the promise, “Lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world.”

Faithfulness in the Lord’s service will bring comfort, joy, and peace in all our subordinate meetings.

We are forcibly reminded that a great obligation rests upon our Society for the legacy which has come to us, an inheritance from those who won it through faith and sacrifice, and while it is our primary aim to win souls for Christ, it is of great importance that our special mission in the world be clearly kept in view, that we maintain our testimony for spiritual worship, and against formalism and ordinances, against wars and oaths.

The following constitutes the Meeting on Ministry and Oversight:—

	Ministers.	Elders.	Associate Members.	Total.
R. I. Quarterly Meeting	21	34	25	80
Salem “	13	34	21	68
Sandwich “	14	16	51	81
Falmouth “	20	24	4	48
Smithfield “	10	25	13	48
Vassalboro “	15	39	0	54
Dover “	7	27	13	47
Fairfield “	9	33	26	68
Parsonsfield Q.	6	10	18	34
Total	115	242	171	528

## TO THE YEARLY MEETING :

This Meeting unites in concluding that one session of this Meeting next year be devoted to considering the subject of the Pastoral Question.

RUFUS M. JONES, *Clerk.*

60. The Committee to nominate delegates to the Conference of American Yearly Meetings, to be held at Indianapolis, also, to nominate a committee to attend the opening of Wilmington Yearly Meeting, have presented the following Report, which is satisfactory to the Meeting, and the Friends proposed are appointed to those services. The Clerks are directed to furnish them with the proper credentials, and the Treasurer to pay their necessary expenses, if called for :—

## TO THE YEARLY MEETING :

The Committee set apart to nominate delegates to the Conference at Indianapolis, in Tenth Month next, would propose the following, viz. :—

Augustine Jones.	Harriette D. Collins.
William P. Pinkham.	Ruth S. Murray.

I. Warren Hawkes.

*Alternates.*

Joseph E. Briggs.	Alice W. Maxfield.
Olney T. Meader.	Deborah P. Atherton.

To attend the opening of Wilmington Yearly Meeting, viz. :—

David J. Douglas.	Phebe S. Aydelott.
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*Alternates.*

Jesse McPherson.	Hannah J. Bailey.
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ALFRED H. JONES,

*On behalf of the Committee.*

NEWPORT, R. I., Sixth Month 15th, 1892.

61. The following Memorial on the subject of Southern outrages was read and approved, and the Clerk was directed to sign the same, and forward it to the President of the United States and to the Senate and House of Representatives in Congress assembled, viz. :—

To BENJAMIN HARRISON, the President of the United States, and to the Senate and House of Representatives in Congress assembled.

The Yearly Meeting of Friends for New England, assembled in their Annual Meeting at Newport, R. I., having under consideration the atrocities committed against the colored people at the South, by wicked and

lawless men, respectfully ask the extension over that suffering race of the special care of the General Government, the strict maintenance of their right "to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness," and their protection by that Common Law, which should be the safeguard of every citizen.

62. The Clerk was also directed to sign and forward the following Memorial to the Commissioners of the Columbian Exposition at Chicago, viz. : —

*To the COMMISSIONERS OF THE COLUMBIAN EXPOSITION to be held in Chicago, Ill., in 1893.*

The Yearly Meeting of Friends for New England assembled in their Annual Meeting at Newport, R. I., under a deep sense of the importance of their request, ask that the Exposition shall be kept closed on the Sabbath, and that no intoxicating drinks shall be sold on the premises under any pretext whatever.

63. The following Memorial in relation to closing the Exposition on the Sabbath, was read and approved and the Clerk directed to sign the same on behalf of this Meeting, and forward to the proper authorities, viz. : —

*To BENJAMIN HARRISON, President of the United States and to the Senate and House of Representatives in Congress assembled.*

The Yearly Meeting of Friends for New England assembled in their Annual Meeting in Newport, R. I., respectfully ask that all grants of aid in any way to the Columbian Exposition, to be held at Chicago in 1893, be made only on the conditions that the Buildings of the Exposition shall be closed on the Sabbath, and that no liquor shall be sold on the premises under any pretext whatever.

NEWPORT, R. I., Sixth Month, 1892.

64. The following petition in relation to the sale of intoxicating liquors in Alaska was approved by the Meeting, and the Clerk was directed to sign the same, and forward to the authorities at Washington, viz. : —

*To BENJAMIN HARRISON, President of the United States, and to the Senate and House of Representatives in Congress assembled.*

Our attention has been called to the proposed bill to license the sale of intoxicating liquors in Alaska.

We, the Yearly Meeting of Friends for New England, assembled at Newport, R. I., representing more than four thousand and three hundred members, respectfully protest against that proposed Bill, and petition that there may be sufficient legislative action taken and such officers appointed that the present law may be faithfully enforced.

We desire to call attention to the fact that one of the missionaries of this religious Society has been murdered and another outrageously treated, while endeavoring to see the law enforced, and these deeds of barbarism have so far as we have learned received no notice from those in authority.

65. The following-named Friends have been appointed to present the above-mentioned memorials and petition to the President of the United States, Senate, and House of Representatives, viz., Timothy B. Hussey and Alfred H. Jones, and William O. Newhall as alternate.

66. An epistle to our brethren of Ireland was read at this time, and approved; and the Clerk was directed to sign and forward it on behalf of this Meeting.

67. In the matter of the bequest to this Yearly Meeting, under the last will of Sarah N. Pope Dixon, of England, we conclude to reappoint Augustine Jones and Robert P. Gifford a committee to represent this Yearly Meeting, with the powers given to them under their appointment in Sixth Month, 1890, and with full power to represent this Meeting in any place and in any matters arising under said will, or under the deed of trust of Sarah N. Pope, and with power to petition and consent to any change of trustees, or to any appointment of new trustees, or to the termination of said trust.

68. An interesting and satisfactory report from the committee on the concern of this meeting for the improvement of the condition of the Freedmen of the South, together with a report from the Freedmen's Normal Institute, at Maryville, Tenn., have been read, and are as follows, viz. : —

#### REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FREEDMEN.

##### TO THE YEARLY MEETING :

In the care of the Freedmen's Normal Institute the past year we have experienced seasons of anxious thought, but we can thankfully acknowledge that our heavenly Father hath been mindful of us, and His tender mercies have been over this portion of His heritage.

Before the school opened in Eighth Month last we received the resignation of our friend, William P. Hastings, who had served as principal during twenty years previous. His good work and interest for the institution seem yet near us on account of his daughter, Lettie H. Garner, who became his successor. With many years' experience in the work with her father, as teacher and assistant, we believe the school will prosper under

her Christian service, provided her efforts receive the prayerful interest and practical aid which the cause demands.

The financial question is the one which we feel must claim special consideration at this time. While we are thankful for donations amounting to \$278.22, yet it will be impossible to continue the good work in our care, and hold the trust in the George Sturge legacy, without an increase of funds at our disposal. This special need we hope will only exist for a limited period, until the prospective income from other sources becomes available.

The attendance of students, with the aid of the George Sturge fund, has been large during the spring term, notwithstanding the reduced weekly allowance to each.

The report of our principal, L. H. Garner, relating to attendance and studies, is at hand; and in one of her recent letters she mentions blessed results from a series of meetings held for evangelistic work with the students.

In addition to the financial statement herewith, we would mention that \$200 have been forwarded in donations, to aid the freedmen in other parts of the South, by members of Amesbury Monthly Meeting.

We sincerely hope that the contributions for the work at Maryville will amount to \$500 during the coming year.

By direction of the Committee on Freedmen,

ROBERT P. GIFFORD,

*Secretary.*

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE FREEDMEN'S NORMAL INSTITUTE,  
MARYVILLE, TENNESSEE, FOR THE YEAR 1891-2.

Number of days taught . . . . .	190
Number enrolled . . . . .	165
Per cent of attendance . . . . .	89
Number of boarders in the buildings . . . . .	68
Number of teachers in the training class . . . . .	89
Number reading from books . . . . .	165
Number studying arithmetic . . . . .	165
Number studying English grammar . . . . .	145
Number studying geography . . . . .	136
Number studying English composition . . . . .	145
Number studying United States history . . . . .	75
Number studying physiology . . . . .	25
Number studying scientific agriculture . . . . .	18
Number studying algebra . . . . .	15
Number studying geology of Tennessee . . . . .	15
Number studying English Literature . . . . .	16
Number studying history of Tennessee . . . . .	18
Number studying rhetoric . . . . .	6
Number studying Latin . . . . .	4

Number studying Greek . . . . .	1
Number studying botany . . . . .	1
Number studying zoölogy . . . . .	1
Number studying general history . . . . .	1
Number studying elements of psychology . . . . .	1
Number graduated in the Classical course . . . . .	1
Number graduated in the Elementary course . . . . .	6

On account of lack of funds, we have been unable to hire necessary teachers, and were compelled to drop off the primary department entirely, thereby cutting down our numbers about one third.

L. H. GARNER,  
*Principal.*

Sixth Month 3d, 1892.

The nomination of a committee to have the care of this concern is referred to the Committee on Nominations, and the consideration of an appropriation of five hundred dollars for the use of the Committee is referred to the Committee on Finance.

#### FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

##### RECEIPTS.

Amount received from Augustine Jones, Trustee of the George Sturge Fund . . . . .	\$1,450 10
Amount received from Augustine Jones, Trustee of the Henry Camp Fund . . . . .	150 00
Amount received from Monthly Meetings . . . . .	190 22
“ “ “ Boston Preparative Meeting . . . . .	5 00
“ “ “ Fairfield Quarterly Meeting . . . . .	30 00
“ “ “ other donations . . . . .	53 00
<b>Total . . . . .</b>	<b>\$1,878 32</b>

##### EXPENDITURES.

Amount paid Students on Sturge Fund, Autumn Term . . . . .	\$269 62
“ “ “ “ “ “ Spring Term . . . . .	1,180 48
“ “ for repairs on the buildings . . . . .	100 00
“ “ “ School expenses . . . . .	328 22
<b>Total . . . . .</b>	<b>\$1,878 32</b>

ROBERT P. GIFFORD,  
*Treasurer.*

69. The Trustees of the George Sturge and Henry Camp Funds presented their Annual Report, which is satisfactory, and is as follows, viz. :—

THE ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE GEORGE STURGE AND HENRY CAMP FUNDS.

THE GEORGE STURGE FUND.

TO THE YEARLY MEETING:

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

RECEIPTS.

Balance from last year . . . . .	\$6 79	
Coupons paid Seventh Month 1, 1891 . . . . .	727 50	
“ “ First Month 1, 1892 . . . . .	727 50	
Interest on Deposit . . . . .	1 69	
	<u>          </u>	\$1,463 48

EXPENDITURES.

Box in Rhode Island Safe Deposit Co. . . . .	\$10 00	
Assisting Students, Fall Term . . . . .	269 62	
“ “ Spring Term . . . . .	1,180 48	
Balance for new account . . . . .	3 38	
	<u>          </u>	\$1,463 48

THE HENRY CAMP FUND.

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand Sixth Month, 1891 . . . . .	\$149 84	
Interest and dividends . . . . .	68 25	
	<u>          </u>	\$218 09

EXPENDITURES.

Eighth Month 4, paid on account of L. H. Garner . . . . .	\$100 00	
Eleventh “ 17, “ “ “ “ “ “ . . . . .	50 00	
Balance for new account . . . . .	68 09	
	<u>          </u>	\$218 09

On behalf of the Trustees,

JAMES H. CHACE.

SUSAN TABER THOMPSON.

70. The following recommendations from the Committee to arrange a plan for a closer connection between the Yearly Meeting and its Bible Schools, were approved by the Meeting :—

The Committee appointed to consider a plan for establishing a closer connection between the Society and its Bible School work report as follows :—

We recommend that the Yearly Meeting request of each Quarterly Meeting that it shall, at its first session after this Yearly Meeting, appoint

a Quarterly Meeting Superintendent of Bible Schools, who shall, until next Yearly Meeting, have supervision of the Bible School work within the Quarterly Meeting in conjunction with the Yearly Meeting's Superintendent and Bible School Committee.

Also that the Quarterly Meetings shall, each year hereafter, at their last session before the Yearly Meeting, appoint their Bible School Superintendents for the following year, whose term of service shall begin and end with that of the Yearly Meeting's Superintendent.

That the Yearly Meeting request all Bible Schools within its limits, to report regularly, once in three months, to their respective Quarterly Meeting Superintendents.

Respectfully submitted,

HARRIETTE D. COLLINS.

ANNA J. GODDARD.

GEORGE L. CROSMAN.

The Clerk was directed to forward the conclusions on this subject to the Clerks of the several Quarterly Meetings, with the additional recommendation that the Monthly Meetings be requested to co-operate with the Quarterly Meeting Superintendents of Bible School work.

71. The Joint Nominating Committee presented the names of Friends for the Peace Committee, and also the names of Friends for a Committee on Temperance, all of whom were approved. Their names will appear under the proper headings.

Adjourned to meet at three o'clock this afternoon.

AFTERNOON, Met pursuant to adjournment.

72. The Representatives now in attendance of this meeting made the following report, viz. : —

TO THE YEARLY MEETING :

We have considered the various matters submitted to us, and now report as follows, viz. : —

1st. We nominate for Trustees, with full power to act for the Yearly Meeting in perfecting the alleged defective title to the land formerly owned by the Yearly Meeting in Washington, D. C., Augustine Jones and Robert P. Gifford.

2d. We have made a new apportionment of the sums to be raised for the use of the Yearly Meeting as follows, viz. :—

Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting,	22 per cent.
Salem                   “           “	18   “
Sandwich               “           “	20   “
Falmouth               “           “	8½   “
Smithfield             “           “	6   “
Vassalboro            “           “	5½   “
Dover                   “           “	6   “
Fairfield               “           “	12   “
Parsonsfeld            “           “	2   “

3d. We recommend that no change be made in the fifth query nor in the second unanswered query.

4th. We recommend that no change be made in the name of the Representative Meeting.

5th. We recommend that a committee be appointed by the Yearly Meeting, to consider and report next year the expediency of altering the Discipline so as to aid our Monthly Meetings in their action respecting removals from their limits.

6th. We nominate for correspondents of the Yearly Meeting, Samuel Buffum, North Berwick, Me., Hannah J. Bailey, Winthrop Centre, Me.

7th. We nominate for members of the Representative Meeting, the following-named Friends (whose names will appear later in the Minutes).

NEWPORT, Sixth Month, 14, 1892, For the Representatives.

OWEN DAME, *Clerk.*

In relation, to the first proposition in the Report of the Representatives, the Meeting is united in appointing Augustine Jones and Robert P. Gifford as Trustees.

In the second proposition the Meeting approves of the apportionment to the several Quarterly Meetings.

The third proposition was approved, to make no change in the fifth query, nor in the second unanswered query.

The fourth recommendation was united with to make no change in the name of the Representative Meeting.

The fifth recommendation in relation to changes in the Discipline was not approved by the Meeting.

In the sixth, the Meeting appointed the nominees proposed for Correspondents of the Yearly Meeting.

In the seventh, the nomination of Friends to constitute the Representative Meeting was approved, and they were appointed to that service. The names will appear hereafter.

73. The Auditing Committee presented the following Report  
viz. : —

TO THE YEARLY MEETING:

The Committee to audit the accounts of the Treasurer report as follows,  
viz. : —

RECEIPTS.

Balance from last year . . . . .	\$2,514 21
Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting . . . . .	480 00
Salem Quarterly Meeting . . . . .	350 00
Sandwich Quarterly Meeting . . . . .	400 00
Falmouth Quarterly Meeting . . . . .	160 00
Smithfield Quarterly Meeting . . . . .	120 00
Vassalboro Quarterly Meeting . . . . .	110 00
Dover Quarterly Meeting . . . . .	100 00
Fairfield Quarterly Meeting . . . . .	240 00
Parsonfield Quarterly Meeting . . . . .	40 00
Books of Discipline sold . . . . .	4 00
Dividends and Interest . . . . .	84 24
Received on Endowment Fund Oak Grove . . . . .	15 00
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	\$4,617 45

EXPENDITURES.

Expenses of Yearly Meeting at Portland . . . . .	\$399 69
Expenses of Finance Committee in new method of raising funds . . . . .	92 34
Rent of Safe Deposit Box . . . . .	5 00
Paid Executive Committee on Western Indians . . . . .	525 00
Aid to Friend of British Provinces . . . . .	100 00
Paid principal and interest on Oak Grove note . . . . .	518 88
(Balance due on note Eighth Month, 14, 1891, \$2,500.)	
Printing, Recording, etc. . . . .	419 22
Incidentals . . . . .	11 99
Balance now in Treasurer's hands . . . . .	2,545 83
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	\$4,617 45

Income of Boston Meeting-house Fund, Balance from last year . . . . .	\$1,958 97
Received from Coupons . . . . .	450 00
Received Savings Bank Dividends . . . . .	85 80
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	\$2,494 77

PAYMENTS.

Wesleyan Hall Association. . . . .	\$350 00
Balance now on hand . . . . .	2,144 77
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	\$2,494 77

The Report was accepted by the Meeting, and we conclude to raise the sum of two thousand dollars, for the use of the Meeting the ensuing year, and Samuel R. Buffinton has been appointed Treasurer of the Yearly Meeting, James H. Chace, Treasurer of the Providence School Funds; and Joseph E. Briggs, Treasurer of the Oak Grove Funds. Our several Quarterly Meetings are directed to pay to our Treasurer their respective proportions of the above-named sum, on or before the first of Fifth Month next.

74. The Committee on Finance presented the following Report which was accepted, and the Treasurer of this Meeting is authorized and directed to pay the several sums specified in the Report.

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

##### TO THE YEARLY MEETING :

The Committee on Finance recommend that the following appropriations be made from the Treasury of the Yearly Meeting :

For Associated Committee on Western Indians . . . . .	\$525 00
For aid extended to a Friend from British Provinces . . . . .	75 00
For Principal and Interest on Oak Grove Note . . . . .	625 00
For Freedmen (Maryville Institute) . . . . .	500 00
	\$1,725 00

For the Committee,

OWEN DAME.

NEWPORT, Sixth Month 15th, 1892.

75. The Committee appointed by Minute 65 of last year have submitted the following report, which is approved, and the proposed changes in our Discipline are adopted by this Meeting.

##### TO THE YEARLY MEETING :

1st. The Committee under appointment by Minute No. 65 of last year, in relation to reading and answering the queries once a year, would propose the following change in our Book of Discipline on page 107, Edition 1889: Instead of the paragraph beginning with the words, "It is also directed," the following should be substituted, viz.: It is also directed that to this purpose the queries be read in the Preparative Meetings preceding the Quarterly Meetings which occur before the Yearly Meeting, and distinct answers be given in said meetings to all the queries; and these answers be forwarded to their respective Monthly Meetings, where the queries are also to be read with the answers aforesaid; and each Monthly Meeting shall forward a summary of these answers to the Quarterly Meetings where the queries are to be again read, and the answers thereto which come from the Monthly Meetings; and a summary of these for-

warded by the Quarterly Meeting to the Yearly Meeting to be read there and a summary of these reports entered in the Yearly Meeting records. It is also directed that at all other Quarterly Meetings, and at all Monthly and Preparative Meetings which precede each Quarterly Meeting these queries be read together with those called "unanswered queries" on page 108, Edition 1889, and hence the paragraph in italics on this page 108 may be stricken out.

2d. In relation to the proposition from Dover Quarterly Meeting (see Minute No. 28 last year), we would propose that the following paragraph be inserted in our Book of Discipline on page 91, Edition 1889, preceding the paragraph headed "Delinquencies," viz.: When a Monthly Meeting shall have received reliable information that any of its members have joined another religious society or denomination, the names of such members may be dropped from our records and they released from membership without the appointment of a committee, except as the Monthly Meeting may direct its clerk or a committee to kindly inform the persons so released of the record made on their account, and to express to them our Christian interest and love.

By direction of the Committee,

ROBERT P. GIFFORD,

*Clerk.*

NEWPORT, Sixth Month 11th, 1892.

76. The following proposition referred to this Meeting, by the Meeting on Ministry and Oversight, is also approved, and the proposed change in our Discipline is adopted by the Meeting, viz.:—

The accounts from Rhodè Island Quarterly Meeting on Ministry and Oversight show that they are united in asking that a change be made so that the second paragraph in italics near the bottom of page 116 of the Book of Discipline shall read as follows: "The other three are to be answered in writing in the Quarterly Meetings on Ministry and Oversight next preceding the Yearly Meeting, that the Yearly Meeting on Ministry and Oversight may receive a summary of these answers from each of the Quarterly Meetings." This Meeting unites in referring this matter to the Yearly Meeting.

RUFUS M. JONES,

*Clerk.*

The Clerk was directed to forward the above information to our Quarterly Meetings, and also to have slips printed in our Book of Discipline.

77. The Committee on Correspondence have presented a general Epistle to the American Yearly Meetings, which has been read

and approved, and the Clerk was directed to sign and forward a copy to each of the Yearly Meetings on this continent, with which we correspond.

They also produced Epistles to London, and to the new Wilmington Yearly Meeting, and a joint Epistle to the Monthly Meeting at Ramallah, which were read and approved. The Clerk was directed to sign and forward them to the Meetings addressed.

78. The Nominating Committee proposed the names of Friends for the Freedmen's Committee, which is approved by the Meeting. (Names will appear under the proper heading.)

79. This and the Women's Yearly Meeting have directed the Clerks to cause an edition of two thousand copies of the Minutes to be printed, and sent down to our Quarterly Meetings, in their usual proportions; and we appoint Samuel Buffum, William T. Hussey, and George L. Crosman, to assist them in the accomplishment of the work.

80. The Committee for that purpose propose the following returning Minute for our Friend George Grubb, which the Clerk was directed to sign, viz.:—

TO CORK MONTHLY MEETING OF FRIENDS, MUNSTER QUARTERLY MEETING,  
AND DUBLIN YEARLY MEETING OF MINISTERS AND ELDERS IN IRELAND.

*Dear Friends,*— Our beloved Friend George Grubb attended this Meeting with satisfactory credentials from your Meetings. His company and clear gospel preaching have been both comforting and encouraging to us. Our prayers and sympathy go with him as he pursues his labors on this continent.

81. The Clerk was authorized to sign on our behalf the following Minute for our Friend Seneca H. Stevens, viz.:—

Seneca H. Stevens attended this Meeting, his company and religious services have been acceptable to us, and similar ones for Fernando G. Cartland, Harry R. Keats, Edward G. Wood, David E. Sampson, John Carey, William G. Johnson, John F. Hanson, Alice Hanson, William L. Pearson, George N. Hartley, Clark M. Terrell and his wife Esther P. Terrell, and Emma Sampson.

82. The Clerk was directed to sign on our behalf, the following Minute for our Friend Lindley M. Carey, viz.:—

Lindley M. Carey accompanying his father John Carey, acceptably attended this Meeting.

83. The following proposition from Sandwich Quarterly Meeting for changes in the time of holding that Quarterly Meeting has been granted, viz. : —

“ We propose that the Quarterly Meeting be held at Sandwich on the second Fifth day in the Tenth Month instead of on the first Fifth day as at present

We further propose that our Meeting, which follows at New Bedford, be held on the second Fifth day of the First Month, instead of on the first Fifth day of the Twelfth Month; and that the ensuing Quarterly Meeting, at New Bedford, be held on the second Fifth day of Fourth Month, instead of on the first Fifth day, as now held; the hour to remain the same, 11.30 o'clock A. M.

And the Clerk is directed to inform said Meeting of this conclusion.

84. We unite with our Friends of Iowa Yearly Meeting in the proposition appended to their Epistle to establish a new Yearly Meeting at Newberg, Yamhill Co., Oregon, to be opened in the Sixth Month, 1893, and to be known as Oregon Yearly Meeting.

The subject of appointing a committee to attend the opening of said Meeting, and addressing to them an Epistle, is referred to the Representative Meeting, and the Clerk is directed to append this information in a note in the Epistle to Iowa Yearly Meeting.

85. The following Committee has been appointed to make all necessary arrangements for holding religious meetings during the sessions of our next Yearly Meeting, as way may open; also to propose times and places for the various Committees to meet, which are now or may be then under appointment, viz. : —

Charles M. Jones, David J. Douglas, Samuel R. Buffinton, Thomas Wood, Oscar J. Morse, Robert P. Gifford, William T. Hussey, Myra E. Frye, Sarah J. Swift, Hannah J. Bailey, and Susan Peckham.

86. Our Women Friends inform us that they have concurred in all the foregoing actions of the Men's Meeting.

87. We acknowledge, with gratitude to our Heavenly Father, that, as we have been privileged to meet in the various sessions of this Yearly Meeting, we have received strength and wisdom from on high.

We have been refreshed together and enabled to transact the important business that has claimed our attention, in a spirit of love and harmony.

We now conclude with a sense of renewed responsibility to our Divine Master, purposing to meet in Lynn, Mass., at the appointed time next year, if the Lord permit.

Signed on behalf of the Meeting.

TIMOTHY B. HUSSEY, *Clerk.*

MEMBERS OF THE REPRESENTATIVE MEETING.

Samuel R. Buffinton.	Timothy B. Hussey.
Augustine Jones.	William P. Tuttle.
Charles A. Chace.	Anna M. Hussey.
Phebe S. Aydelott.	Emeline H. Tuttle.
Harriette D. Collins.	Levi Jones.
William O. Newhall.	I. Warren Hawkes.
Owen Dame.	Hannah J. Bailey.
Alice W. Maxfield.	Mary C. Hawkes.
Mary B. Swan.	John B. Cartland.
Ruth S. Murray.	Eunice D. Cartland.
Susan F. Hoxie.	Silas H. Cartland.
Anna G. Wood.	Lydia A. Cartland.
John B. Baylies.	Daniel C. Maxfield.
John Hacker Hall.	Edward T. Tucker.
Charles M. Jones.	Ellen K. Buffum.
Myra E. Frye.	David J. Douglas.
S. Jane Cox.	Isaac Steere.
Richard Battey.	Sarah J. Swift.
D. Wheeler Swift.	John J. Frye.
Mary A. Battey.	Reuben T. Jones.
Salome C. Wheeler.	Etta S. Cates.
Alfred H. Jones.	Olney T. Meader.
Eliza P. Pierce.	Oscar J. Morse.
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Timothy B. Hussey.	Ellen K. Buffum.
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Richard Battey.	Rachel S. Howland.
James H. Chace.	Anna G. Wood.
Thomas Chase.	Deborah W. Crossman.
Peter M. Neal.	Elizabeth H. Austin.
Samuel Buffum.	Sarah F. Tobey.

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 I. Warren Hawkes.  
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 Isaac Oscar Winslow.  
 Daniel C. Maxfield.  
 Charles A. Chase.  
 Olney T. Meader.  
 Charles Sisson.  
 William H. Varney.  
 Edward T. Tucker.  
 Joshua L. Macomber.

Ellen A. Winslow.  
 Caroline C. Earle.  
 Deborah P. Atherton.  
 Lydia C. Neal.  
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 Alfred H. Jones.  
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 Jessie McPherson.  
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John Ellwood Paige.  
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Anna G. Wood.	Robert P. Gifford.
Charles M. Jones.	William T. Hussey.
S. Caroline Tobey.	Olney T. Meader.
Mary Almy Chase.	Mary W. Jones.
Hannah J. Bailey.	Martha E. Hoag.
Eli Jepson.	John Henry Crosman.
Harriette D. Collins	Rufus M. Jones.
William Thompson.	Ellen K. Buffum.
Su-an T. Thompson.	Sarah Marble.
Elizabeth K. Jones.	Julia A. Remick.
Addie F. Chace.	Nellie M. Hussey.
Silas H. Cartland.	Emma S. Briggs.
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Samuel Buffum.

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Joseph E. Briggs.	Anna M. Hussey.

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Elizabeth K. Jones.	Sarah A. Hill.
Ellen Bangs.	S. Jane Cox.
Thomas Wood.	

*Sub-committee on Lectures.*

Hannah J. Bailey.	Thomas Wood.
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 SALEM, George C. Herbert, Sarah D. Brown.  
 SANDWICH, Joshua L. Macomber. Sarah Taber.  
 FALMOUTH, Lewis M. Douglas, Anna J. Goddard.  
 SMITHFIELD, Elisha T. Read, Alice M. Dow.  
 VASSALBORO. J. Albert Jones, Abbie P. Jenkins.  
 DOVER, William P. Jenkins, Emma Jenness.  
 FAIRFIELD, C. Irving Bailey, Martha B. Osborne.  
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George L. Crosman. Harriette D. Collins. Anna J. Goddard.

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Robert P. Gifford.	Ellen M. Atwater.
Charles H. Earle.	M. Augusta Battey.
Joseph H. Atwater.	Anna B. Macomber.

*Salem.*

John F. Chase.	Elizabeth T. Larkin.
William Wood.	Mary Almy Chase.
Ezra Hawkes.	Zillah Binns.

*Sandwich.*

Joshua L. Macomber.	Hannah R. Gifford.
Gideon Wood.	Sarah E. Wright.
Mary C. Baylies.	Susan F. Hoxie.

Elisha T. Read.	<i>Smithfield.</i>	Lydia A. Phelps.
George F. Varney.		Adelaide Wheeler.
		Jennie Allyn.
Josiah B. Holder.	<i>Falmouth.</i>	Lucy A. Snow.
Lewis M. Douglass.		Mary H. Robinson.
Edward H. Hacker.		Emma C. Pinkham.
		Edward C. Jones.
Frank E. Jones.	<i>Vassalboro.</i>	Elizabeth K. Jones.
Rufus M. Jones.		Eliza P. Pierce.
William T. Hussey.	<i>Dover.</i>	Emeline H. Tuttle.
Stephen C. Meader.		Catharine F. Hanson.
Alfred W. Hawkes.	<i>Fairfield.</i>	Hannah J. Bailey.
George B. Wing.		Mary A. Hoxie.
Leslie O. Meader.	<i>Parsonsfield.</i>	Lydia A. Cartland.
John A. Cartland.		Julia A. Kimball.

COMMITTEE ON THE RECOGNITION OF A GREATER VARIETY  
OF GIFTS IN THE CHURCH.

William P. Pinkham.	Myra E. Frye.
David B. Wheeler.	Salome C. Wheeler.
Alfred H. Jones.	Etta S. Cates.
William T. Hussey.	Lydia E. Sawyer.
Jesse McPherson.	Martha B. Osborne.
Silas H. Cartland.	Eunice C. Cartland.
Charles W. Earle.	Susan Peckham.
Thomas Wood.	Sarah D. Brown.
William Thompson.	Susan F. Hoxie.

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

RHODE ISLAND, Samuel R. Buffinton.	SMITHFIELD, D. Wheeler Swift.
SALEM, Owen Dame.	VASSALBORO, William A. Jones.
SANDWICH, John B. Baylies.	DOVER, Timothy B. Hussey.
FALMOUTH, Charles M. Jones.	FAIRFIELD, Joseph E. Briggs.
	PARSONSFIELD, Silas H. Cartland.

YEARLY MEETING CORRESPONDENTS.

Joseph Cartland, Newburyport, Mass.  
Samuel Buffum, North Berwick, Me.  
Hannah J. Bailey, Winthrop Centre, Me.

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1892.

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## MINUTES OF THE WOMEN'S MEETING.

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At the Yearly Meeting of Women Friends for New England, held at Newport, Rhode Island, commencing Sixth Month 10th, 1892.

By accounts received from our several Quarterly Meetings, we are informed that the following-named Friends have been appointed Representatives to this Meeting, viz. : —

FROM RHODE ISLAND — Elizabeth S. Newton, Sarah J. Hanson, Phebe S. Aydelott, Phebe R. Gifford, M. Augusta Battey, Catherine Green, Esther Chace, Mary E. R. Kenyon, Margaret T. Sherman, Mary C. Arnold, Anna B. Mecomber, Electa J. Collins, and Anna A. Gould.

FROM SALEM — Mary Alice Brown, Gertrude W. Cartland, Cynthia W. Huntington, Anna M. Gove, Lucy T. Herbert, Mary J. Rogers, Alice W. Hawkes, Isabel D. Chase. Eliza A. Jones, Alice W. Maxfield, Zillah Binns, Mary Almy Chase, Clara C. Binford, Susan H. Meader, and Mary J. Buxton.

FROM SANDWICH — Rachel S. Howland, Mary Hafford, Mary C. Baylies, Alice R. Howland, Phebe A. L. Smith, Lucy S. Hoxie, Jane G. Fisher, Susan F. Hoxie, Susan S. Moore, Elizabeth A. Gifford, Sarah F. Potter, and Sarah J. Taber.

FROM FALMOUTH — Myra E. Frye, S. Jane Cox, Mary C. Holder, Emma C. Pinkham, Lucy R. Goddard, Mary A. Maxfield, Anna F. Hall, and Emma A. Douglas.

FROM SMITHFIELD — Salome C. Wheeler, Mary A. Battey, Sarah J. Wheeler, Susan E. Wheeler, Avis B. Steere, Sarah J. Swift, Abigail Wheeler, and Rachel Steere.

FROM VASSALBORO — Peace Jones, Mary C. Jones, Mary T. Gould, Elizabeth K. Jones, Eliza P. Pierce and Exie Estes.

FROM DOVER — Lydia E. Sawyer, Anna M. Hussey, Almira B. Buffum, Sarah V. Meader, and Lydia E. Jenkins.

FROM FAIRFIELD — Hannah J. Bailey, Mary C. Hawkes, Lizzie A. Church, Lizzie M. Hawkes, Martha B. Osborne, Emma S. Briggs, and Olive M. Tuttle.

FROM PARSONSFIELD — Lydia A. Cartland, Julia A. Remick, Eunice D. Cartland, and Elizabeth H. Cobb.

The names of the Representatives being called, they were present, except fifteen, for the absence of seven of whom sufficient reasons were assigned.

The accounts from our several Quarterly Meetings have been read. The changes which have occurred in them, during the past year, will be embraced in a Summary to be presented at a future session.

An Epistle from our dear sisters of London Yearly Meeting, which failed to reach us in season, last year, has now been read, together with others from Dublin, Baltimore, North Carolina, Indiana, and a joint Epistle from our Friends of Ohio Yearly Meeting.

Our beloved friend, George Grubb, a minister from Ireland, is now in attendance of this Meeting, and has presented a certificate from Cork Monthly Meeting, indorsed by Munster Quarterly Meeting, and the Foreign Service Committee of Dublin Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders, all expressive of unity with him in the extensive service to which he feels called of the Lord. The company of our dear friend from across the sea has been very acceptable to us, as well as that of other Gospel messengers from our own land, who are now with us.

We have also, at this time, the acceptable company of Seneca H. Stevens, Fernando G. Cartland, Harry R. Keats, and Edward G. Wood, from New York Yearly Meeting; David E. Sampson, from North Carolina Yearly Meeting; John Carey, from Indiana Yearly Meeting; William G. Johnson, from Western Yearly Meeting.

John F. Hanson and his wife Alice Hanson, from South Dakota, William L. Pearson, Oskaloosa, and George N. Hartley, Oregon, all of Iowa Yearly Meeting, who have presented satisfactory certificates from their respective meetings, expressive of unity with them as ministers, and with their present religious engagements.

We have also in attendance of this Meeting Clark M. Terrell and his wife, Esther P. Terrell, from Iowa Yearly Meeting, Emma Sampson, an Elder, companion to her husband, David E. Sampson, and Lindley M. Carey, companion to his father, John Carey, from Indiana Yearly Meeting, whose company is acceptable to us.

We rejoice that the Lord has turned the feet of so many of His messengers to this part of His heritage, and we extend to them a cordial welcome.

We appoint our friends, Louisa N. Meader, Rebecca D. Ewer, Lucy R. Goddard, Harriette D. Collins, Lydia E. Sawyer, Lizzie M. Hawkes, and Mary A. Battey, to prepare a summary of the answers to the queries from our several Quarterly Meetings.

A Nominating Committee of nine, one from each Quarterly Meeting, was appointed to present the names of Friends to constitute a Committee on Correspondence.

A proposition from the Committee of Arrangements has been presented to this Meeting. We have united in its acceptance in concurrence with men Friends. The Representatives, as they meet at the rise of this Meeting to consider the subject of Clerks for the ensuing year, were requested to make the nomination indicated in the above-mentioned proposition.

Under a grateful sense of the Lord's continued goodness of His protecting power and watchful care over us since our last annual gathering, we adjourn to meet at 3.45 o'clock this afternoon.

AFTERNOON. Met in separate session according to adjournment

The Representatives having conferred together, M. Augusta, Battey informed this meeting that they were united in proposing Anna G. Wood for Clerk, and Ruth S. Murray and Deborah P. Atherton for Assistant Clerks, which nominations being separately

considered were approved, and they were appointed to those services for the ensuing year.

The names of the following Friends were also presented by the Representatives to constitute a Nominating Committee, viz.: Melissa S. Dearborn, Mary C. Hawkes, Elmira B. Buffum, Eliza P. Pierce, Mary A. Battey, Emma A. Douglas, Susan F. Hoxie, Alice W. Maxfield, and Electa J. Collins, which were united with by the Meeting.

The Nominating Committee to propose the names of Friends to constitute a Committee on Correspondence have presented the following, which being approved by the Meeting, they were accordingly appointed to that service, viz.: Gertrude W. Cartland, Rachel S. Howland, Elizabeth T. Larkin, Tacy P. Hawkes, Jr., Gertrude H. Pinkham, Salome C. Wheeler, Harriette D. Collins, Elizabeth A. Slade, Jennie M. Atkins, Myra E. Frye, Susan T. Thompson, Deborah P. Atherton, Anna J. Goddard, Susan Peckham, Avis B. Steere, Alice W. Maxfield, Hannah G. Ladd, Anna M. Hussey, Ruth S. Murray, and M. Augusta Battey.

We adjourn to meet in joint session at 4 o'clock.

SECOND-DAY MORNING, 6th Month, 13th.

Met in separate session near ten o'clock.

The remaining epistles from our sisters of Western. Iowa and Kansas Yearly Meetings, also one from our dear friends at Ramallah have been read. These loving greetings have been interesting and acceptable to the Meeting, and we have desired that this sisterly intercourse may be mutually helpful and strengthening.

The Joint Committee appointed to examine certain papers, addressed to the Clerks of the Yearly Meeting, have presented a Report which has been accepted in concurrence with men Friends.

A proposition from the men's meeting in regard to changing the name of the Representative Meeting, is referred to the Representatives from our Quarterly Meetings.

The Report from Falmouth Quarterly Meeting contained a suggestion that the wording of the Fifth Query and the second

unanswered query should be slightly altered, which was also referred to their consideration.

A request from the same Quarterly Meeting upon the subject of spiritual gifts and their recognition was referred to a joint committee to be appointed by the Nominating Committee.

A concern of Smithfield Quarterly Meeting in regard to the opening of the World's Fair at Chicago, on the First day of the week, and also the sale of intoxicating liquor on the grounds, was referred in a similar manner.

We have had with us at this time our beloved sister, Ellen M. Johnson, the Superintendent of the Sherburn Reformatory for Women. The meeting was interested in her recital of the efforts to reclaim our sisters, who, from the force of temptation, have stumbled in life's pathway. We are thankful to our sister for her helpful, stimulating thoughts, and trust we shall be more earnest in our search after the key to, apparently, hardened hearts, which may respond to the touch of kindness and sympathy, inspired by the love of Christ.

Adjourned to meet in joint session at 4 o'clock this afternoon.

#### THIRD-DAY MORNING THE 14TH.

Met in separate session according to adjournment.

From the Yearly Meeting of Women Friends recently held in London, we have received and read an acceptable epistle.

The Meeting now entered upon the State of Society as presented by the answers to the queries from our several Quarterly Meetings. A summary of these having been prepared was read.

#### SUMMARY ANSWERS.

ANSWER 1. Our Meetings for religious worship and discipline have been held except fifty-two, on account of sickness and other causes, also one Meeting omitted for three months, and two small Meetings held but few times during the year. First-day meetings generally well attended. Meetings in the middle of the week, much neglected. The hour observed by most Friends.

ANS. 2. With little exception love and unity maintained, for the most part detraction is guarded against. Care is taken to end differences.

ANS. 3. We believe that most of our members are careful to maintain a religious life and conversation, one Quarterly Meeting reports a deficiency in this respect. Greater care is needed in the training of our children in accordance with our Christian profession.

ANS. 4. We believe the Holy Scriptures are read by most Friends individually as well as collectively; and children and others are encouraged in the daily practice of this religious duty. Our testimony to a free gospel ministry is maintained with little exception.

ANS. 5. Friends abstain from the use of intoxicating liquors as a beverage. Not entirely clear as regards amusements inconsistent with a Christian character. Moderation observed.

ANS. 6. The circumstances of the poor are duly inspected and their necessities relieved. When necessary they are assisted in finding employment and in educating their children.

ANS. 7. With some exception in one meeting our testimony is maintained against bearing arms and against other military matter, against oaths. Clear, against defrauding the public revenue.

ANS. 8. With little exception Friends are careful to inspect their affairs and settle their accounts, also to live within the bounds of their circumstances.

ANS. 9. Careful as to recording. Some cases of removal without certificates.

ANS. 10. With little exception the discipline is administered in Christian tenderness, timely and impartially.

#### MINUTE ON STATE OF SOCIETY.

During the past year much sickness has prevailed throughout our land, and, in consequence, a few of our small meetings have had to be discontinued for a time. Some of our dear friends have drooped under the burden of life, and have gone to their Heavenly home. Surely, we who remain have cause to commemorate the loving kindness of our God, in preserving our lives.

Certainly none of the Lord's children should willingly lose the benefit of our midweek gathering. In the hurry and bustle of our daily lives, it is a rest and refreshment to leave our cares for a season, to sit down in the presence of our Lord, to listen to His teachings. As the ear is attent to hear His voice, rich mines of instruction may be opened before us, which may be not only for ourselves, but for others also. And our dear young sisters may often find in these seasons, opportunities for service for their Lord, while their very presence is stimulating and encouraging to their older friends. It is as important that our spiritual life be renewed day by day, as it is that our bodies should be nourished. Consequently, it is our first duty to be alive unto God, and then we shall be ready for service. We should seek for the fresh anointing day by day, that our lives may be

to His glory. In the morning let the prayer arise, "Keep Thou the door of my lips"; not keep them shut, but fill them for Jesus. The Lord has a purpose in the position in which we are placed, and, as this prayer arises, we shall be given words to say which will afterwards bring forth fruit to His glory. Be watchful for opportunities; only one comes to us at a time, and, if missed, it may never return again.

We should be specially careful lest any word of ours should hinder the reception of good from any service in our meetings. No harsh criticism, or even any light comment, which would be calculated to dissipate the effect of the message of the Lord, should be indulged in.

In service for the Lord, let all be loyal to the Church, and keep to our denominational lines, which are in accordance with the Truth. Not in a narrow sense, but in the broad view of following the Lord Jesus; thus there will be unity in the preparation for the service, and unity in its performance.

As we allow the Lord Jesus to bring us into oneness with Himself, there will be a mutual forbearance and submission the one to the other. A spirit of love will unite old and young, and enable us to present a solid phalanx against the enemy of souls. Much strength and encouragement may be given by expressions of sympathy. The older Friends may strengthen the hands of their young sisters by a word of loving unity with the service to which they feel called. And our young Friends, by their tender and reverent conduct towards the aged ones, may help those on their journey, who are to be "esteemed highly in love for their works' sake."

In the presence of so many opportunities for service opening before the Lord's consecrated children, it is important that there should be earnest prayer for individual direction. "Lord, what wilt thou have *me* to do?" And, when the call is clearly given, may all endeavor to regulate their actions by two rules: one to "select, systematize, and simplify our duties"; the other, that "It is better to get ten more persons to work, than it is to do the work of ten ourselves."

Mothers were specially reminded of the necessity of careful supervision of the reading matter coming into the hands of their children.

They were also reminded of the injurious influence of the military drill now in use in our public schools. It certainly tends to foster a love for "the glitter and pomp of war," which, in years to come, may lead from an earnest following of the Prince of Peace.

The eighth annual report of the Women's Foreign Missionary Society has been read.

The Lord has continued to bless the earnest and faithful work of the committee during the past year, and we desire their encouragement for the year to come.

## REPORT OF THE WOMEN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

## TO THE YEARLY MEETING OF WOMEN FRIENDS :

With grateful hearts to our Heavenly Father for what he has enabled us to do in the past year, we present you to-day our eighth annual report:—

## STATISTICS OF THE W. F. M. S.

	Number of Auxiliaries.		Number of Members.	
	1891.	1892.	1891.	1892.
Rhode Island, .	7	7	152	140
Salem,	4	5	111	125
Sandwich,	4	4	66	69
Falmouth,	3	4	58	72
Smithfield,	2	2	45	69
Vassalboro,	4	3	67	52
Dover,	1	1	11	10
Fairfield,	6	5	78	67
Parsonsfield,	2	2	35	40
	<u>33</u>	<u>33</u>	<u>623</u>	<u>644</u>

Auxiliaries gained, 0; members gained, 21; life members gained, 16.

The difference in the rate of increase from our last report, 156, is due largely to the fact that no organizer has been in the field during the past year. Constant stirring up is needed in this line of work.

Our interest in Ramallah has been deepened by the presence of the loved matron, Huldah H. Leighton, among us. Her clear, strong words, her consecrated zeal, her loving devotion to the work, have been an inspiration to many; and our prayers have followed her across the water, that He who "holds the winds in the hollow of his fist" would restore her to her loved Ramallah in safety. Our work there has been the same as in the previous year, — the support of two teachers and twenty girls in the Training Home. In this work we have continued to receive aid from other Yearly Meeting auxiliaries, and individuals not members with us. We keep in touch with this work, and our work in the Indian Territory, by monthly letters from the missionaries.

The sum of \$504 which has been raised for the erection of a new house at the Iowa Mission, is on interest. This sum is not sufficient to meet the needs, but the subscription list is still open, and as the contest with regard to the land will not, as we are informed, come to settlement before next twelfth month, there is ample opportunity for all who have not given, to do so. It is a trial to the missionaries to wait so long, but Lina B. Lunt writes: "God knows best, and all things work together for good to those who love Him." There has been sickness at the mission lately, deaths have occurred among the children, and they have been surrounded with water, as well as deluged through their roof. One night they were

forced to leave their house and flee to higher ground. In the midst of such scenes as these L. B. Lunt writes: "We are happy and contented. God is our strength and song, and is become our salvation."

God be praised for such missionaries. Their devotion and self-sacrifice shame our efforts for the promotion of the work.

Through the labors of John F. Mardock a fine lot of land has been secured half way between Shawneetown and the Iowa Mission, for the work among the Kickapoos. This lot contains one hundred and sixty acres, eighty of which is fine timber land and the rest rich valley. Elizabeth Test, who has foreseen for years this crisis, has, from her own savings, erected a house on this land, which she and her assistant are at present occupying. She intends to present this house to the W. P. M. S. of N. E. Y. M. It needs five hundred dollars for fencing, breaking up the land so as to show they are improving it, digging a well, and starting an orchard. Who will come to the help? As we think of E. Test's self-sacrifice, again we feel that the devotion of our missionaries puts us to the blush.

Reports show that only four out of all our auxiliaries observe the first Sabbath in each month as a season of special prayer for missions. Will not our auxiliaries take some active steps and do some wise planning whereby the evening can be observed as a missionary prayer-meeting? More prayer, united prayer, for laborers, for money, for the salvation of souls, is a crying need of the church of God to-day. "Pray ye therefore;" and "If two of you shall agree on earth as touching anything that they shall ask, it shall be done for them of my Father which is in heaven." With such a warrant, why do we not ask, in the name of Jesus, and receive?

While the missions at Ramallah and among the Indians have received our first attention, Boston still cares for a little girl in India; Fairfield Quarter has done similar work, "and other work outside the Association"; Rhode Island has helped the Blue Ridge Mission in North Carolina; and Vassalboro reports "Some home missionary work." Doubtless a part of this is simply a redeeming of pledges made in the past. While this home mission work mentioned is very blessed work, let us remember that it is really outside our province as a Foreign Mission Society, and let us strive to be truly loyal to our legitimate work, and forward it by every means in our power. Concentration is greatly needed in our work.

With regard to our three departments of work, General Literature, Systematic Giving, and Junior and Juvenile Work, sixteen auxiliaries attend to them all; three take up one department only; two take up two departments; one attempts something, but cannot fully carry it out; and one has superintendents in the three departments but has done nothing. Let each auxiliary make an honest effort in the coming year to do the best possible in this department work. We need the judicious distribution of literature to rouse and stimulate missionary zeal. Every woman in every meeting should be at least invited to subscribe for our Missionary Advocate, that she may know how the work is going on, that she may prepare

herself on the Uniform Lesson for the Auxiliary Meeting; and, if for no higher motive, that proper support be given to this organ of our Woman's Foreign Missionary Society. The department of Systematic Giving is very essential. Parsonsfield Quarter reports twenty-one who give on this plan, and Salem Quarter that in one auxiliary where this method is practised, the receipts have increased thirty-four and a half per cent. "Upon the first day of the week let every one of you lay by him in store, as God hath prospered him." Let us all try it.

Then surely the Junior and Juvenile work should not be neglected. We must have that in every meeting where there is a child, for the sake of the children, and for the sake of the work. "Feed my lambs." Teach them to follow the Shepherd in loving self-sacrifice.

It is not possible to report the exact number of public meetings held during the past year, so many of our auxiliaries simply say, "several public meetings." More accuracy is greatly desired. Such meetings have been held at Winthrop Centre, Lisbon Falls, Portland, and Vassalboro, in Maine; and Lynn, Fall River, Amesbury, and Boston in Mass. The meeting in Boston occurring at a date to secure the presence of many who were to attend the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union, excellent work was done. Let each Auxiliary hold at least one public meeting in the coming year, and more than one if possible.

Boxes of clothing, books, and other necessary articles have been sent out to all our mission stations.

Two circular letters have been issued to our auxiliaries.

Money has been raised by membership dues, suppers, sales of ice cream and cake, aprons and other manufactured articles, collections at public meetings, mite-boxes, sewing to order, pledges, Chinese school entertainments, tithing incomes, etc.

The great need of the world to-day is the Gospel. This glorious Gospel of the Lord Jesus is committed to us a trust fund to use for Him in the salvation of souls. Let us use it; let us "hold forth the word of life" this year as if we knew it to be our last year of opportunity for God, and suffering, sin-burdened humanity.

ELIZABETH T. LARKIN,

*Corresponding Sec.*

#### REPORT OF JUNIOR AND JUVENILE DEPARTMENT OF W. F. M. S. FOR THE YEAR ENDING FOURTH MONTH, 1, 1892.

##### TO THE YEARLY MEETING:

There are seventeen Mission Bands of children and young people connected with our local Auxiliaries. The Band at Portland has been discontinued, and new ones at South Durham, North Berwick, and Dover have been formed in the past year. From the reports of local Superintendents and Secretaries, we find much the same methods have been used as in previous years, literary programmes and simple ways of raising money,

giving happy, helpful interest to their meetings. The newly organized Band at Dover is composed of twenty-three children, but four of whom are members of Friends' Society; most of the others seldom attend any meeting except this little Mission meeting. From these facts we get a suggestion of a combination of Home and Foreign Mission work. Some of the children's meetings have been addressed by helpful and interesting speakers. One Band prepares an exercise for the Sabbath School once a month and receives the collection for that day. Another has placed a birthday missionary box in the meeting-house. And so in various ways the work is going on.

An accurate report of total memberships and amount of money raised cannot be given, as four of the Bands have failed to send full reports for the year.

Respectfully submitted,

SARAH D. BROWN, *Supt.*

AMESBURY, MASS., Sixth Month, 8, 1891.

## REPORT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF LITERATURE.

### TO THE YEARLY MEETING OF WOMEN FRIENDS :

While, as the years go on, our auxiliaries multiply, and the work of our Society widens out more and more, for which we are very thankful, yet there seems to be less material for the report of the Superintendent of Literature. General information on missionary subjects, and an interest in missionary literature, have, we believe, increased in proportion to the growth of our Society; but the local Superintendents of Literature, having become better acquainted with the work, and with the needs of their respective auxiliaries, are less and less dependent on the General Superintendent for suggestions and supplies.

Our "Missionary Advocate," which is widely circulated, contains lists of desirable books and leaflets, with price lists, and other necessary information on the subject, in addition to its own valuable and interesting articles.

We say that the "Advocate" is widely circulated, and yet it may be seen, by the statistics accompanying this report, that the subscription list does not equal one half of our membership, which is greatly to be regretted, and ought certainly to be remedied. It is true that the membership includes families, which means one copy for several members; but, even making allowance for this, we think there should be more copies taken in our Yearly Meeting, and that a strong effort should be made, by the local Superintendents, to increase the subscription list, when we consider that it is the only organ of our Missionary Union, and when we consider, also, the pains taken, and the time and money devoted to make its pages useful and interesting, and worthy of our support.

The statistics of this department, as reported to Mary M. Haines in Second Month last, were as follows:—

No. of Auxiliaries that have Libraries . . . . .	7
“ Volumes in Libraries . . . . .	36
“ Auxiliaries without Libraries . . . . .	17
“ Members of the Missionary Union . . . . .	587
“ Subscribers to “ Missionary Advocate ” . . . . .	240

Since the last Annual Report, the Superintendent of Literature has distributed about 287 leaflets. Respectfully submitted,

SUSAN PECKHAM,  
*General Superintendent of Literature.*

NEWPORT, Sixth Month, 13, 1892.

#### DEPARTMENT OF SYSTEMATIC GIVING.

##### TO THE YEARLY MEETING OF WOMEN FRIENDS:

The fourth year of the work in this department shows some advance, though not as much, perhaps, as it should.

Reports have been received from all but one of the Quarterly Meetings, but as comparatively few of the Quarters or auxiliaries have superintendents of systematic giving, it is difficult to get the exact figures. From the accounts received, it appears that one hundred and five Friends are in the practice of systematic giving, and twenty-five have adopted it during the past year, so that there seems to be an awakening of the importance of this question.

A large part of the tracts mentioned by your late superintendent have been distributed among the different Quarterly Meetings, and from the reports it is believed that many families and individuals have been furnished with them. There are quite a number remaining which will be sent to any who have not yet received them. The tract “Paying What We Owe” should be in the hands of everyone, and carefully read and considered, as it presents the question of systematic giving in an exceedingly practical and convincing manner. One auxiliary had it read responsively at one of the meetings, and others might find this exercise a useful one.

Money has been raised by our auxiliaries in various ways — by stated monthly contributions, by free-will offerings, by sales of articles, by suppers, and by mite boxes. One auxiliary reports a successful auction sale. Mite boxes are mentioned by a few auxiliaries, and it is suggested that it would be well to encourage a more general use of these especially among persons who have not yet decided to lay aside regularly a portion of their income.

Your superintendent would especially call attention to the desirability of appointing local superintendents of this department, in order both for the more satisfactory collecting of the statistics of the work, and for arousing a more general interest in this subject by work in their own localities.

Respectfully submitted,

DEBORAH P. ATHERTON, *Supt. Sys. Giving.*

NEWPORT, R. I., Sixth Month 13th, 1892.

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 REPORT OF TREASURER OF WOMEN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

 WOMEN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF NEW ENGLAND YEARLY MEETING, *in account with* HANNAH J. BAILEY, *Treasurer.*

1891-92.

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4th Mo. To balance from last year . . . . .		\$206 52
Indiana W. F. M. S. through Elizabeth T. Larkin . . . . .	\$65 00	
Four little Indian boys . . . . .	04	
Donations for expenses of lectures . . . . .	12 00	
Collections by E. T. Larkin for Iowa Indian Mission House . . . . .	364 45	
Mary C. Hawkes for girl in day school at Ramallah . . . . .	5 00	
Lizzie Purdy for Ramallah Mission . . . . .	1 00	
N. Graves for Ramallah Mission . . . . .	1 00	
M. Graves for Ramallah Mission . . . . .	1 00	
Mary T. Thomas, Treas. Iowa W. F. M. S. . . . .	325 00	
A friend for stone in Ramallah Mission House . . . . .	25	
Loan from Winthrop Nat'l Bank . . . . .	500 00	
Lucy Lunt, donation for Lina Lunt . . . . .	11 00	
B. F. Butler of Ohio for the education of a girl at Ramallah . . . . .	65 00	
M. S. Barton of Canada, toward education of Nijumee Chaddura . . . . .	16 25	
Note of H. J. B. and interest . . . . .	201 00	
Collection at Pub. Mtg. in Boston . . . . .	25 45	
H. J. Bailey, for education of orphan girl in India . . . . .	25 00	
C. I. Bailey, for education of orphan girl in India . . . . .	25 00	
Alice Anthony, from children at Providence for Iowa Mission House . . . . .	3 00	
Winthrop Bible School for Iowa Mission House . . . . .	11 65	
Cash . . . . .	5 00	
Special donation for Lina Lunt . . . . .	1 00	
A friend . . . . .	25	
R. W. Lawrence, donation from Samuel Miles for Ramallah . . . . .	5 00	
W. F. Wilbur, treas., F. B. S. Mission Band, Providence, for education of Ahzeezie Rafeedie . . . . .	65 00	\$1,734 34
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		\$1,940 86

<i>Amount brought forward</i> . . . . .		\$1,940.86
J. E. Briggs, Treas., Donation from Fair- field Qr. Meeting . . . . .	25 00	
Alice B. Paige, Cor. Sec., Lynn Y. P. S. C. E. . . . .	3 16	
Note paid by E. R. Packard . . . . .	225 00	
Donation, by H. J. B., for a special object, Collection in Public Meeting in Portland . .	14 15	
Interest . . . . .	72 32	
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		\$2,283 56
To amount received from auxiliaries in		
Rhode Island Quarter . . . . .	\$432 63	
Salem Quarter . . . . .	314 38	
Sandwich Quarter . . . . .	141 70	
Falmouth Quarter . . . . .	157 00	
Smithfield Quarter . . . . .	205 50	
Vassalboro Quarter . . . . .	113 20	
Dover Quarter . . . . .	20 00	
Fairfield Quarter . . . . .	317 76	
Parsonsfeld Quarter . . . . .	29 11	
		<u>\$1,731 28</u>
Two Life memberships . . . . .		40 00
		<u>\$4,054 84</u>

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4th Mo. Paid Ellen C. Wright, Treas., W. F. M. Union . . . . .	\$18 69	
Paid Eli and Sybil Jones Mission . . . . .	1,773 71	
Paid expenses Iowa and Kickapoo Missions, Paid Friends' Ophanage in India . . . . .	75 00	
Paid Superintendent literature dept. . . . .	5 00	
Paid Superintendent juvenile dept. . . . .	5 00	
Paid printing, postage, foreign drafts, etc., Paid interest bearing notes . . . . .	1,175 00	
Paid discount on note at Winthrop Bank . .	2 75	
Paid H. M. Payson & Co., for Nebraska 6 per cent bond . . . . .	200 00	
Paid lectures . . . . .	47 25	
Paid Mary G. Winslow, trustee . . . . .	40 00	
		<u>\$4,012 11</u>
Balance on hand, 4th Mo. 1st, 1892 . .		42 73
		<u>\$4,054 84</u>

I have examined the foregoing accounts, and the vouchers thereof, and find them correct.

M. AUGUSTA BATTEY,

*Auditor.*

## LIFE MEMBERS.

Elizabeth T. Larkin.	Ruth S. Murray.
Hannah J. Bailey.	Emeline H. Tuttle.
Caroline Alice Jones.	Ellen K. Buffum.
Mary R. Osborne.	Lydia E. Sawyer.
Hannah B. Farr.	Mary H. Robinson.
Huldah H. Leighton.	Phebe S. Aydelott.
Henrietta H. Johnston.	Mary E. Gifford.
Anna G. Wood.	Sarah J. Swift.

## REPORT OF "TRUST FUNDS" OF W. F. M. S. FOR N. E. Y. M.

## RECEIPTS.

On hand, Cash . . . . .	\$60 00
A. F. Cox & Son, note . . . . .	60 00
Bond, Nebraska Loan & Trust Co. . . . .	200 00

## EXPENDITURES.

Paid H. J. Bailey Coupon on bond to April 1, . . . . .	\$6 00
" " " Interest on A. F. Cox & Son, note . . . . .	3 00

ANNA M. GOVE.

MARY G. WINSLOW, *Trustee*.

(In place of Lavinia M. Briggs, deceased.)

WINTHROP CENTRE, 6th Mo., 1, 1892.

The following-named Friends have been appointed as officers of the Society for the coming year, viz. : —

*President* — PHEBE S. AYDELOTT, 70 Rock Street, Fall River, Mass.*Vice-Presidents at large* — MYRA E. FRYE, Woodford's, Me. ; SUSAN T. THOMPSON, New Bedford, Mass.*Corresponding Secretary* — ELIZABETH T. LARKIN, 72 Central Street, Peabody, Mass.*Recording Secretary* — ALICE W. MAXFIELD, 12 Railroad Avenue, Amesbury, Mass.*Treasurer* — HANNAH J. BAILEY, Winthrop Centre, Me.

## TRUSTEES OF THE PERMANENT FUND.

*For one year* — MARY G. WINSLOW, Winthrop Centre.*For two years* — S. CAROLINE TOBEY, 67 Angell Street, Providence, R. I.*For three years* — ANNA M. GOVE, Seabrook, N. H.

## AUDITORS.

SUSAN H. MEADER, 634 Warren Street, Boston, Mass.

M. AUGUSTA BATTEY, 109 Lippitt Street, Providence, R. I.

## QUARTERLY MEETING VICE PRESIDENTS.

- Rhode Island* — S. CAROLINE TOBEY, 67 Angell Street, Providence, R. I.  
*Salem* — ANNA M. GOVE, Seabrook, N. H.  
*Sandwich* — ELIZABETH A. GIFFORD, Adamsville, R. I.  
*Smithfield* — SARAH J. SWIFT, 22 Oak Avenue, Worcester, Mass.  
*Dover* — ALMIRA B. BUFFUM, N. Berwick, Me.  
*Falmouth* — MIRIAM C. WEBBER, Lisbon Falls, Me.  
*Vassalboro* — ELIZA P. PIERCE, E. Vassalboro, Me.  
*Fairfield* — PHEBE M. WADSWORTH, Augusta, Me.  
*Parsonsfield* — DORA E. CARTLAND, N. Sandwich, N. H.

## SUPERINTENDENTS OF DEPARTMENTS.

- Systematic Christian Giving* — DEBORAH P. ATHERTON, Uxbridge, Mass.  
*Literature* — SUSAN PECKHAM, 27 Cushing Street, Providence, R. I.  
*Junior and Juvenile Work* — SARAH D. BROWN, 22 Highland Street, Amesbury, Mass.

## BOX COMMITTEE.

- Chairman* — GULIELMA C. WOOD, 3 Gleason Street, Boston, Mass.  
 MARY B. JOHNSTON, 469 Cumberland Street, Portland, Me.  
 OLIVE H. WEEKS, Friends' School, Providence, R. I.

We appoint our friends, Ellen K. Buffum, Lucy Goddard, Susan T. Thomson, Electa J. Collins, Catharine Green, Salome C. Wheeler, and Harriette D. Collins, to unite with a similar committee from the men's Meeting, to prepare as way opens returning Minutes for Friends in attendance of this Meeting with certificates, and present them at a future session.

We adjourn to meet in joint session at 3 o'clock this afternoon.

FOURTH-DAY MORNING, 6th Mo., 15.

Met in separate session at 10 o'clock.

A summary of the changes which have occurred in our Quarterly Meetings during the past year was presented and read.

Augustine Jones and Robert P. Gifford, the Committee now under appointment in the matter of the bequest to the Yearly Meeting by the will of Sarah N. Pope Dixon, have presented a Report which has been accepted, and we united with the men's Meeting in reappointing the same Friends to continue the service.

A Memorial addressed to the President and Congress of the United States, in regard to the atrocities committed against the colored people of the South, has been read and accepted in concurrence with men Friends.

The Committee appointed on the concern of Smithfield Quarterly Meeting have presented a Memorial addressed to the Government of the United States, which has met the approval of this and the Men's Meeting.

The Committee having charge of the interests of the Freedmen of the South have presented a Report in connection with one from the Freedmen's Normal Institute, at Maryville, Tennessee, which has been read and accepted in concurrence with the Men's Meeting, and Friends were requested to remember the pressing needs of the Institute, and encouraged to greater liberality. The appointment of a Committee to serve the coming year was referred to the Committee on Nominations

We unite with men Friends in accepting the report of the trustees of the George Sturge Fund.

The Committee invested with the responsibility of disbursing the income of the Mosher Fund presented their Annual Report, which was read and approved, and the Committee who served last year was reappointed.

The Committee on Nominations have proposed the names of Friends to constitute a Committee on Temperance, which were approved.

Those presented by the same committee to give attention to the subject of Peace, were also acceptable to the Meeting.

An epistle to our dear sisters of Iowa Yearly Meeting was read and approved.

The committee appointed to present the names of Friends as delegates at the approaching Conference at Indianapolis proposed the following, viz. : Augustine Jones, William P. Pinkham, Harriette D. Collins, Ruth S. Murray, and I. Warren Hawkes. Should any of them be unable to attend, Joseph E. Briggs, Alice W. Maxfield, Olney T. Meader, and Phebe S. Aydelott were proposed as

alternates. These, after consideration, were approved in concurrence with men Friends.

The same committee presented the names of two Friends to attend the opening of the new Yearly Meeting at Wilmington, Ohio, viz. : David J. Douglas and Phebe S. Aydelott, which were also approved in concurrence.

The committee appointed to consider a plan for establishing a closer connection between the Society and its Bible Schools have presented a report, which has been accepted in concurrence with men Friends.

Adjourned to meet in separate session at 3 o'clock this afternoon.

AFTERNOON. — Met at 3 o'clock, according to adjournment. The Representatives being called, forty-eight were in attendance. Epistles to our dear Sisters of the Yearly Meetings of London, Dublin, Baltimore, North Carolina, Canada, Indiana, and Kansas were read and accepted. A joint Epistle to our friends of New York and Ohio Yearly Meetings has been read and approved, and the clerk is directed to sign all the above and forward them to the respective meetings.

The Representatives from our Quarterly Meetings to whom were referred various subjects for consideration have presented a Report which was read, and we are united in accepting the various conclusions arrived at, and the proposed appointments in concurrence with men Friends.

The young people, the children of our Yearly Meeting, and also the sick and afflicted among us have been lovingly remembered, and tender words of counsel and encouragement have been addressed to them. These, having met the approval of the meeting, the Clerk is directed to have them printed and sent to the Quarterly Meetings, in the usual proportion.

A joint committee appointed last year on the request of Vassalboro Quarterly Meeting, in regard to answering the queries but once a year, presented a report which was accepted in concurrence with men Friends.

A request from Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting on Ministry and Oversight, in relation to a similar subject and which was referred to the Yearly Meeting, has been granted, having the approval of men Friends.

A request from Dover Quarterly Meeting "that a change be made in our discipline in regard to those of our members who have joined other religious denominations," which was referred to a committee, has been again brought before us in their report, and we unite in accepting their suggestion contained therein in concurrence with men Friends.

We unite with the men's meeting in the appointment of our friends, Timothy B. Hussey, Alfred H. Jones, and William O. Newhall, to present to the President and Congress the petitions which have been agreed to by this Yearly Meeting.

The proposed changes in Sandwich Quarter, in regard to the time of holding some of its Meetings, have been approved.

The Meeting on Ministry and Oversight has presented a summary of their answers to the queries. together with a minute, embracing the substance of the exercise of that Meeting, which has been read and approved. The Statistics of that Meeting have also been presented.

We unite with the Men's Meeting in the appointment of the Friends proposed to constitute a committee to care for the interests of the Freedmen of the South.

We also unite in accepting the names of Mary C. Baylies and Edward C. Jones, as additions to the Committee on Temperance.

A Memorial, to be presented to the Government, in respect to "the sale of intoxicating liquor in Alaska, and its sad consequences," was united with by this and the men's Meeting.

The responsibility resting upon us as women, in regard to the subject of social purity, was earnestly spoken of. It was the decision of the Meeting that the times called loudly for greater effort in that direction. A committee was accordingly appointed of one from each Quarterly Meeting, who, if way shall open, shall carry on this work during the coming year, and present to our next

Yearly Meeting a plan of action for the future. The committee are as follows: Phebe S. Aydelott, Elizabeth T. Larkin. Ruth S. Murray, S. Jane Cox. Salome C. Wheeler, Abby Jenkins, Emeline H. Tuttle, Martha B. Osborne, and Melissa S. Dearborn.

We unite with our friends of Iowa Yearly Meeting, in the establishment of a Yearly Meeting at Oregon. The subject of appointing delegates to attend the opening of that Meeting, and of preparing an epistle to the same, was referred to the Representative Meeting for their action.

The Joint Committee on returning Minutes have prepared suitable certificates for all the ministering Friends in attendance who presented their credentials to this Meeting, viz.: for our beloved friend George Grubb from Ireland, Seneca H. Stevens, Fernando G. Cartland, Harry R. Keats, Edward G. Wood, David E. Sampson, John Carey, William G. Johnson, John F. Hanson, Alice Hanson, William L. Pearson, and George N. Hartley.

Minutes have also been prepared for Clark M. Terrell, Esther P. Terrell, Emma Sampson, and Lindley M. Carey. All of which have been approved by the Meeting, and the Clerk is directed to sign them on our behalf.

The Committee on Business who served the Meeting last year are re-appointed to that service, viz.: Myra F. Frye, Sarah J. Swift, Hannah J. Bailey, and Susan Peckham.

The Clerk is authorized to procure the usual amount of printing for this Meeting, and call on the Treasurer for the expense incurred.

The thanks of the Meeting were given to the Committee on Entertainment for their faithful and earnest efforts for the comfort of the Friends assembled at the Yearly Meeting.

Much harmony and unity have marked the deliberations of this Meeting and we unite in heartfelt thankfulness for the rich blessings which have been vouchsafed to us at this time.

We conclude, proposing to meet at the usual time next year at Lynn, if the Lord permit.

ANNA G. WOOD, *Clerk.*

MINUTES OF THE THIRD ANNUAL ASSEMBLY  
OF THE  
YOUNG FRIENDS' CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP UNION.

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1. The Third Annual Meeting of the Young Friends' Christian Fellowship Union was held Sixth Month 11th, 1892, at 2 o'clock P. M., at Newport, R. I.

2. The meeting was opened by singing, followed by Scripture reading and prayer.

3. The roll of delegates was read as follows:—

*Fall River.*—Marianna Gifford, Sarah E. Chace, H. Emma Skinner.

*Swansea.*—Charles Estes, Charles F. Leslie, Emma R. Chace, G. Mahlon Chace.

*Boston.*—John H. Meader, William Hoag.

*Lynn.*—Alice B. Paige, Clara C. Binford, Elmer E. Metzger, Arthur B. Fuller, Charles H. Atkins, Jennie M. Atkins, Hattie E. MacLean, George L. Crosman.

*Lawrence.*—Moses Marshall, Zillah Binns.

*New Bedford.*—Sarah H. Taber, Mary B. Smith, Carrie D. C. Howland, Abbie Tripp.

*Durham.*—Mary H. Robinson, Ida Brown, Sadie R. Cox.

*Portland.*—Gertrude H. Pinkham, Anna J. Goddard, Fred C. Dearborn, Marion A. Goddard, Melvin M. Bailey, John J. Frye, Emma A. Douglas.

*Woonsocket.*—Joseph P. Burgess, Jennie L. Lothrop, L. Isabel Read, Edgar L. Arnold, Oscar J. Morse, Flora M. Daniels, Donald Ross.

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*Bolton.*—Susie M. Wheeler, Susan E. Wheeler, Laura A. Wheeler, Thomas A. Wheeler.

*South China.*—Frank E. Jones, Ella E. Jones, Lydia A. Frye.

*East Vassalboro.*—Etta Cates, George Pope, Edwin Taber, Belle Priest, May Taber, Annie Cates.

*Providence.*—M. Augusta Battey, Alice F. Mayberry, Mary L. Cobb, Abbie Wheeler, Eliza Cushing, Ralph Earle, Eugene Mann.

*Hallowell.*—Lizzie Church, A. F. Morse, Sarah Morse.

Of these forty were present.

4. The following reports of officers were read and accepted:—

REPORT OF RECORDING SECRETARY FOR THE YEAR ENDING 6TH MONTH, 1892.

	Rhode Island.	Salem.	Sandwich.	Falmouth.	Smithfield.	Vassalboro.	Dover.	Parsonsfield.
Number of Local Unions in Quarterly Meeting, Number organized during the past year.....	2	4	2	3	2	4	0	1
Number of Quarterly Meetings held, and where,	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0
General condition of the work.....	Reported "of no benefit at all."	One at Lynn. Good.	Good in New Bedford.	One at Portland. Very encouraging.	Societies in good condition. Room for improvement.	More prosperous than a year ago.	Few young people.	0

	Fall River.	Somerset.	Boston.	Lawrence.	Lynn.	Amesbury.	New Bedford.	Westport.	Durham.	Lewiston.	Portland.	Woonsocket.	Bolton.	China.	Vassalboro.	East Vassalboro.	Unity.	China Neck.	Hallowell.	Friends' Boarding School, Providence.	Total reported.
Number of Active Members.....	11	17	11	53	36	14	10 and 60	Not reported	16	Not reported	32	35	18	20	Not reported	42	Not reported	20	30	67	472
Number of Associate Members.....	2	9	0	2	0	6	13	Not reported	13	0	0	25	5	0	7	32	101			32	101
Number who are Friends.....	10	24	10	40	28	14	19	Not reported	19	26	26	19	15	16	24	52	337			52	337
Number who have become Friends since 6th Month, 91..	1	2	0	0	2	0	30	Not reported	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	1	11			1	11
Is your Union auxiliary to the United Society of C. E.?	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	0	0	0			No	No
Have you a Junior Society?	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	0	0	0			No	No
How many members?	.....	.....	.....	.....	48	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....			1	48

TO THE YOUNG FRIENDS' CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP UNION OF NEW ENGLAND YEARLY MEETING :

At the last Annual Meeting, held in Portland, it was voted that the Corresponding Secretary request the local Unions to send in their decisions in regard to a change of name.

Letters have been sent out to the various Unions, asking their attention to the matter. Prompt answers have been received from nearly all the Unions. A few had already changed their name to that of Christian Endeavor, and all the rest were heartily in favor of changing.

One chief reason given for the preference is, that our organization may be brought into closer relations with the United Society of Christian Endeavor, and this would be done by a name identical with (rather than similar to) theirs. For the purposes of identity, the local names might then be annexed to the general name, as is now done by the local societies of the United Society.

The Secretary has also corresponded with the Unions on different phases of the work, especially that of raising money for the use of the Society. The responses were cheering and prompt. Two Unions reported a giving social, as their effort of raising funds for this work. Much interest is apparent in all the Unions, and many of our young people are brought into closer relationship with the Church. And may we keep our motto ever in view, "For Christ and the Church."

Respectfully submitted,

LIZZIE M. FRYE,  
*Corresponding Secretary.*

WOONSOCKET, R. I., June 10, 1892.

ANNUAL REPORT OF TREASURER OF THE YOUNG FRIENDS' CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP UNION OF THE NEW ENGLAND YEARLY MEETING.

1891.	Dr.	
June 16.	To Cash received from previous Treasurer . . . . .	\$38 39
Aug. 28.	" " " " Lynn Society . . . . .	7 82
Sept. 28.	" " " " Woonsocket Society . . . . .	4 00
" 28.	" " " " Lewiston Society . . . . .	70
1892.		
April 4.	" " " " Lynn Society . . . . .	12 00
May 13.	" " " " Lawrence Society . . . . .	3 00
" 9.	" " " " So. Durham Society . . . . .	2 00
" 23.	" " " " Lewiston Society . . . . .	5 00
" 24.	" " " " Amesbury Society . . . . .	2 30
" 26.	" " " " Woonsocket Society . . . . .	7 25
June 6.	" " " " Portland Society . . . . .	5 00

\$87 46

1891.	CR.		
June 24.	By check to L. M. Frye, Secretary for Stationery and Stamps. . . . .	\$1 25	
Aug. 28.	By check for Printing Union Minutes . . . . .	9 00	
1892.	.		
May 24.	Expense of organizer for 1 month's work in Unity, Me. . . . .	\$6 00	
	Expense of organizer for 1 month's work in East Vassalboro, in connection with Gospel work . . . . .	6 00	
	Expense of organizer for work in Falmouth Quarter, including stage fare to Augusta . . . . .	5 00	
	Expense of organizer within Fairfield Quarter; also, a portion of expense at Hallowell. . . . .	3 75	
	Expense of organizer within Smithfield and Rhode Island Quarters . . . . .	12 40	
	Total. . . . .	\$33 15	
1891.			
Oct. 10.	By check . . . . .	\$10 00	
1892.			
May 25.	“ “ . . . . .	23 15	
		\$43 40	\$43 40
	Balance . . . . .		\$44 06

J. P. BURGESS, *Treasurer.*

I have examined the above statement of receipts and expenditures for the past year and find it to be correct.

ELISHA T. READ, *Auditor.*

WOONSOCKET, 6th Mo. 10th, 1892.

#### ORGANIZER'S REPORT.

TO THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE Y. F. C. F. U. OF NEW ENGLAND  
YEARLY MEETING :

Your Organizer, in looking over the past year, feels like saying, with a heart filled with gratitude to God, that He who has promised to "make a way where there is no way" has watched over and blessed the work of the Fellowship Union.

In viewing the work the first part of the year, it did seem as though there was no possible way of increasing the number of Unions. In the

early part of last autumn, your President and organizer met in consultation at Portland; and, after prayerfully considering the work before us, it was decided that the organizer should solicit correspondence with each vice-president, and learn through them the places where it might be possible to organize, and also for the President to send out a number of letters seeking information in regard to the same.

This was done, with perhaps one or two exceptions, where others, thought to be more familiar with the Quarterly Meeting, were written to instead. In some quarters several letters were sent to persons within their limits.

As the result of this correspondence came the same answer in every case but one. The answer in substance was this: "We know of no place where there is not now a Union where we think it possible to form one at present, as we have not the young people, and, in some meetings, not the people of any age, to warrant organization."

The exception referred to was a call through the vice-president of Falmouth Quarter, that a Union ought to be formed at Windham. Your organizer started for the above-mentioned place; but on reaching Portland, and consulting the vice-president, found that he had been informed a day or two before that nearly all the young people at Windham belonged to a similar organization in another church, and that it was not of any use to think of organizing in that place. I will confess, that, taking this, with the answers to the letters received, and also the answers to the letters sent out by the President, I did feel as though nothing more could be done to form Unions unless God made the way.

And soon—all praise to His "Blessed Name"—He did make a way. In a short time after, we joined other workers in a revival effort at Unity, Me., which continued for a month; the young were gathered into the meeting, quite a large number blessedly saved, and a strong organization formed. Immediately after, we joined in a similar effort at East Vassalboro, Me., with the same blessed results; also for a short time in the effort that is still going forward at Hallowell. Seventy or more souls have been converted or reclaimed, and a Christian Endeavor Society formed, a few days ago, of about thirty charter members. A society was also formed at West China a few weeks since.

It is a grand and glorious thought, that, in the four new organizations established, of about one hundred members, there is a large number of noble young people who only a few months ago were in the rank of the enemy that are now in the ranks of the Lord's saved children, fighting to win other precious souls. May God help us as Christian workers to push the work of salvation, and then organize for systematic effort.

Yours in Christ,

FRANK E. JONES.

5. A Nominating Committee, to bring forward names of officers for the coming year, were appointed, one from each Quarterly Meeting as follows: Marianna Gifford, Almy Chase, Emma Taber, Anna J. Goddard, Elisha T. Read, Etta Cates, Arthur M. Hussey, Lizzie A. Church, Melissa S. Dearborn.

6. An interesting account by Sylvester S. Aldrich of his visit to the Christian Endeavor Society of Iowa Yearly Meeting was read, in his absence, by John Metcalf.

7. Amy Johnson, of Indiana, and George Hartley, of Oregon, were present, and spoke briefly and interestingly of the work in their respective Yearly Meetings.

8. In accordance with the recommendation of the Executive Committee, it was voted to raise one hundred dollars, including the balance in the treasury, in the same manner as last year.

9. A collection was then taken to help defray expenses.

10. In accordance with a recommendation of the Executive Committee, it was voted that the name, Young Friends' Christian Fellowship Union, be changed to Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor, and the Secretary was instructed to inform the General Secretary of the National Y. P. S. C. E. of the change.

11. Fernando G. Cartland extended to the Society the greeting of the Young People's Society of New York Yearly Meeting, and also spoke briefly of the National Convention.

He was followed by Oscar J. Morse, of Woonsocket, who spoke chiefly of the grand programme arranged for the Convention, and by Phebe S. Aydelott, of Fall River, on Denominational Day at the Convention, and the necessity of Friends being well represented.

12. *Voted*, That an expostulation be sent to the Commissioners of the Columbian Exposition against opening on the Sabbath.

13. Clara C. Binford then read a very interesting paper on "Junior Christian Endeavor Work," speaking of the evident help of these societies to the children and of the remarkable influence of the children over others not members.

14. *Voted*, That Clara C. Binford be appointed Superintendent of Junior Societies for the Yearly Meeting.

15. A short consecration meeting was held, led by Tacie P. Hawkes, of Lynn, and many took this opportunity of telling of the goodness of the Lord to them.

16. *Voted*, That next year the Executive Committee bring in names of officers for the following year.

17. Adjourned to 7 o'clock.

18. SIXTH MONTH 11th, 7 o'clock. Met according to adjournment.

19. The following report of the Nominating Committee was read and accepted, and the officers therein-named elected: —

*President* — GEO. L. CROSMAN, Mountain Avenue, Lynn, Mass.

*Recording Secretary* — MARY S. PAIGE, 50 Chatham Street, Lynn, Mass.

*Corresponding Secretary* — GERTRUDE H. PINKHAM, Woodford's, Me.

*Treasurer* — JOSEPH P. BURGESS, Woonsocket, R. I.

*Organizer* — FRANK E. JONES, South China, Me.

#### QUARTERLY MEETING VICE-PRESIDENTS.

*Rhode Island* — MARY L. CHACE, 21 Winter Street, Fall River, Mass.

*Salem* — WILLIAM GODDARD, Lawrence, Mass.

*Sandwich* — HELEN H. SEABURY, 414 County Street, New Bedford, Mass.

*Falmouth* — FRED C. DEARBORN, 44 Winter Street, Portland, Me.

*Smithfield* — GEO. W. PHILLIPS, Union Village, Woonsocket, R. I.

*Vassalboro* — RUFUS M. JONES, Vassalboro, Me.

*Dover* — WM. P. JENKINS, Dover, N. H.

*Fairfield* — LIZZIE A. CHURCH, Hallowell, Me.

*Parsonsfield* — MELISSA S. DEARBORN, East Parsonsfield, Me.

20. The resignation of Mary S. Paige as Recording Secretary was accepted, and Jennie L. Lothrop appointed to fill the vacancy.

21. *Voted*, That Arthur M. Hussey be instructed to ask the committee of arrangements that the Young People's Meeting be appointed for Seventh day evening next year.

22. The Meeting then adjourned.

ARTHUR M. HUSSEY, *President*.

MARY S. PAIGE, *Secretary*.

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# YEARLY MEETING OF FRIENDS FOR NEW ENGLAND,

AT

## LYNN, MASS.

CALENDAR, 1893.

SUBJECT TO CHANGE BY ORDER OF THE YEARLY MEETING.

### FIFTH-DAY, SIXTH MONTH 8TH.

Meeting on Ministry and Oversight. . . . . 9.00 A.M. . . . . 3.00 P.M.  
 Public Meeting for Worship . . . . . 7.30 P.M.  
 Representative Meeting . . . . . 8.00 P.M.

### SIXTH-DAY, SIXTH MONTH 9TH.

Yearly Meeting for Discipline . . . . . 9.00 A.M. . . . .  
 Joint Session. Reports of Boarding  
 Schools and Educational Committees . . . . . 4.00 P.M.  
 Public Meeting for Worship . . . . . 7.30 P.M.

### SEVENTH-DAY, SIXTH MONTH 10TH.

Devotional Meeting . . . . . 8.30 A.M. . . . .  
 Joint Session. Report of Committees  
 on Gospel Work and Peace . . . . . 10.00 A.M. . . . .  
 Joint Session. Report of Foreign Mis-  
 sion Committee and Committee on  
 Western Indians . . . . . 3.00 P.M.  
 Society of Christian Endeavor . . . . . 7.30 P.M.

### FIRST-DAY, SIXTH MONTH 11TH.

Devotional Meeting . . . . . 8.30 A.M. . . . .  
 Meetings for Worship . . . . . 10.00 A.M. . . . . 4.00 P.M.  
 Meeting for Women only . . . . . 2.00 P.M.  
 Meeting for Worship . . . . . 7.30 P.M.

### SECOND-DAY, SIXTH MONTH 12TH.

Devotional Meeting . . . . . 8.30 A.M. . . . .  
 Yearly Meeting for Discipline . . . . . 10.00 A.M. . . . .  
 Women's Foreign Missionary Society . . . . . 2.00 P.M.  
 Joint Session. Report of Bible School  
 Committee and Committee on Freed-  
 men . . . . . 4.00 P.M.  
 Public Meeting of the W. F. M. S. . . . . 7.30 P.M.

### THIRD-DAY, SIXTH MONTH 13TH.

Devotional Meeting . . . . . 8.30 A.M. . . . .  
 Yearly Meeting for Discipline . . . . . 10.00 A.M. . . . .  
 Joint Session. Reading Records of  
 Representative Meeting and Report of  
 Committee on Mosher Fund . . . . . 4.00 P.M.  
 Joint Session. Report of Temperance  
 Committee . . . . . 7.30 P.M.

### FOURTH-DAY, SIXTH MONTH 14TH.

Devotional Meeting . . . . . 8.30 A.M. . . . .  
 Yearly Meeting for Discipline . . . . . 10.00 A.M. . . . . 4.00 P.M.  
 Public Meeting for Worship . . . . . 7.30 P.M.

### FIFTH-DAY, SIXTH MONTH 15TH.

Devotional Meeting . . . . . 8.30 A.M. . . . .  
 Public Meeting for Worship . . . . . 10.00 A.M. . . . .  
 Yearly Meeting for Discipline . . . . . 3.00 P.M.