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The standing committee who have under their charge the
Fair Hill Boarding School, produced the following Report, read
To the Yearly Meeting now sitting.

The Committee appointed to the care of the Fair Hill Boarding
School Report. — That according to the expectation expressed
in their report of last year, a school was opened for females which
together with the boys school has during the past summer been
for the most part filled; the number of scholars amounting
to upwards of sixty. That as far as appears the children have
generally made as much progress as could have been expected
and that institution has continued to advance in reputa-
tion and in confidence. That altho' the school has been gen-
erally full for the past season, the average number of
scholars since the opening of it has not exceeded forty;
and owing to the lamented death of our friend Samuel
Thomas and his wife the late superintendants who appeared
eminently qualified for the situation they occupied, and a
more than usually unhealthy time throughout the country
many friends have temporarily withdrawn their children,
and there now only remains at the institution the number
of Twenty three scholars. — Notwithstanding these
unfavorable circumstances it appears to have supported
itself and the committee have come to the conclusion of
reducing the rate of board and tuition to the sum of \$100 per
annum commencing on the first day of the first month next.
On these terms the committee confidently expect the school
to remain full, and that the receipts in that department will
fully equal the expenditures. of the sum reported last year

as remaining unpaid of the subscribers to the Institution there
has been collected and paid into the hands of the Treasurer 2576⁹²/₁₀₀
and there yet remains due from the subscribers \$4238⁷²/₁₀₀ and
there remains due to the Treasurer \$70²⁰/₁₀₀ and to other persons about
\$500. That any considerable portion of the uncollected subscrip-
tions will be collected in time to meet the exigencies of the case
the committee entertain but little hope.

The committee however deem it their duty to inform the
Meeting that for the accommodation of the school some further
improvements are absolutely and indispensably necessary; the
probable cost of which will amount to \$1500. and from the pre-
ceding statement it appears that the debts now due amount
to about \$570 which the reputation of Society requires should
be discharged without delay, but they are without funds: the
only resource they have therefore is to bring the subject before the
Yearly meeting and suggest to them the propriety of directing
the subordinate meetings to open subscriptions for raising
the sum of \$2100. — With this sum the committee conceive
the Institution may be put in a fair train of successful
operation. Signed by order of the Committee

Andrew Ellicott. clk.

P.S. The Committee also further inform that they have en-
gaged our Friends John McPherson & wife to fill the vacancy
of superintendants and it is expected they will take immediate
charge of the Institution.

As it is very desirable that the establishment should be
completed and the pecuniary engagements of the committee
discharged with as little delay as practicable our Quarterly and
Monthly meetings were desired to promote subscriptions within
their respective limits for the purpose of raising the amount
necessary to wit \$2100 and forward the sums collected to the Treas-
urer.