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Communication from Women's Branch Addressed to Representatives of the Public Press

A communication was received from Womens Branch, with the information that they had adopted the minute and asked for the united action of this Branch, or if it be not united with and thus become the action of the Yearly Meeting, that this Branch endorse their action in the premises.

The communication was read as follows:

To the Representatives of the Public Press within the limits of our Yearly Meeting.

In our annual assembly of Baltimore Yearly Meeting, composed of the Friends of parts of Maryland, and Pennsylvania, and Virginia, and District of Columbia, a deep concern has pervaded the Women's Branch of this body, respecting the demoralizing influence of much that is presented in the columns of the Public Press.

We as conservators of the home, the wives, mothers, and daughters, do earnestly ask your co-operation, in an effort to mitigate this growing evil, the baleful influence of which is felt in all the ramifications of social life.

We ask this, realizing the great influence the daily newspaper which comes into every household, exert upon the public morals, and believing that you will willingly aid us in this great reform.

After a careful deliberation of the subject, this Meeting now endorses the action of Women's Branch.

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Draft of Epistle in Reply to those Received

The Committee appointed at our first session, to prepare a suitable reply to the several Epistles of fraternal greeting received from other similar bodies now produced a draft of one, which was read, and approved and ordered to be transcribed, signed by the Clerks of this Branch and copy forwarded to the Yearly Meetings of Philadelphia, New York, Genesee, Ohio, Indiana, and Illinois respectively.

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The Committee previously appointed to examine and audit the books and accounts of the Treasurer, etc., now submitted the following report: which was read and accepted, and Elisha H. Walker, named therein, is hereby confirmed to that service for the ensuing year.

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Report of Committee to Examine Treasurer's Account

To the Yearly Meeting now sitting:

We, the Committee appointed at a former sitting to examine the Treasurer's Accounts, propose a sum to be raised for the use of the Meeting, and name a suitable person for Treasurer, report:

We have examined the Treasurer's Accounts and find satisfactory vouchers for all money disbursed, and a balance remaining in his hands of $1055.71, as shown by the following statement taken from the books of the Treasurer:

Fair Hill Fund.

Balance on hand 10th Mo. 31st. 1888	$510.52	
Income from Securities belonging to this fund (par value $12.800.)	766.51	
	$1.277.03	
Disbursements as per vouchers.	758.00	
Balance on hand to credit of Fair Hill Fund, 10-31-'89,		$519.03

Indian Fund.

Balance on hand 10th Mo. 31st. 1888.	$257.57	
Income from Securities belonging to this fund (par value $4.650)	234.98	
	$486.55	
Disbursements as per vouchers.	84.43	
Balance on hand to credit of the Indian Fund, 10 Mo., 31st. '89.		$402.12

Yearly Meeting Stock.

The quotas have all been paid in except $50.43.

Balance on hand 10th Mo. 31st. 1888	$315.40
Amount quotas paid, $3.200, less $50.43.	3149.57
	$3.464.97

Disbursements

For the Committee on Philanthropic Labor	$150.00	
For the Committee on Education	99.50	
" " " First Day Schools	180.84	
For Printing and forwarding Extracts	219.70	
For the Committee on Building	2.500.00	
For Advertising and other incidental expenses of Y. Meeting	180.37	
		$3.330.41