

1890 prepare themselves for the work of teaching. When assistance of this kind has been extended it has been understood to be in the nature of a loan, to be returned by the recipient thereof as soon as practicable thereafter. The Committee will consider this class of applicants upon the individual merits of each case, taking into consideration the scholastic standing of the applicant, etc. The assistance extended being merely to supplement the clearly defined efforts of the applicant, who must give promise of an earnest intention to make the exalted and responsible profession of teaching a life work, so that while benefiting the individual the Society will at the same time have in its membership a greater number of thoroughly trained and qualified teachers.

Besides the purposes above referred to, the Committee will exercise discretion in the consideration of applicants for assistance in individual cases upon their merits, and when it becomes evident that the education of any of Friends' children is likely to be interrupted, aid will be given if practicable."

The income from the fund during the past year has been \$666.81. We have expended in assisting schools and individuals \$464. There is a balance of income on hand of \$202.84.

The fund itself has been reduced during the present year in consequence of a re-investment of that portion of it that was in Baltimore City Stock; the income will therefore not be as large as hereafter.

Two vacancies have occurred in the Committee during the past year, by death, those of George B. Passmore and Elmira Hunt.

We request the Yearly Meeting to fill these vacancies.

The Committee has reorganized by the appointment of Thomas A. Matthews as Chairman and the continuation of the Executive Committee.

On behalf of the Committee, Joseph J. Janney.
Baltimore, Tenth Mo. 29th, 1892.

Upon being read the report was adopted. Barclay Reynolds of Shillingham Quarterly Meeting, was appointed to fill the vacancy caused by the decease of George B. Passmore.

26. The Representative Committee laid before the Meeting the records of their proceedings during their several sessions the past year.

1890 The records were read at this time and the acts and proceedings of the Committee, as detailed at length in their minutes, were approved and confirmed by this Meeting.

The matter of the liquidation of a small balance of debt, incurred in the erection of Park Avenue Meeting House and growing out of the finishing and furnishing of a portion of the building for lodging purposes for our members during the time the Yearly Meeting is in session, being brought before the Meeting by the Representative Committee, which body recommend an appropriation for this purpose, it was ordered, after due consideration that the Yearly Meeting now appropriate the sum of fifteen hundred dollars upon the order of the Building Committee, for the purpose herein set forth.

27 The Joint Special Committee, appointed at a former session to prepare a minute reaffirming the position held by our Society upon the improper use and sale of intoxicating Liquors as required by our Discipline, now produced the following report, which after a time of due deliberation, was approved and adopted by the Meeting. Women's Meeting having informed that they had also adopted it.

The Committee appointed for the purpose, report the subjoined minute, as the result of their deliberations.

On reading the answers to the Fourth Query, Moon's Branch, and the report of the Committee on Philanthropic Labor, it appeared that some members of one Monthly Meeting were still engaged in selling intoxicating liquors, which spread a deep exercise over the Meeting.

It is the judgment of the Yearly Meeting that the sale and use (except for medicinal or mechanical purposes) of intoxicants is equally wrong and should be guarded against.

We would therefore recommend to our Monthly Meetings, that wherever any of their members engage in such sale, they should be tenderly labored with in a Christian spirit, in order to convince them of the evil of encouraging a practice that is so hurtful to the community in which they live, and from the reproach of which our beloved Society would rejoice to be free.

Elizabeth T. Brown,
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