

authorized to inform them that we would rent them for that purpose for \$250.- including light, heat & janitor service, reserving the week of Yearly Meeting.

The Secretary was directed to draw up the usual annual report and with the approval of the president, to present it to the Monthly Meeting.* Then adjourned.

John L. Thomas
Secretary.

* Report to Mo. Mtg. adopted 5/20/1897

The Trustees refer to the report of the Treasr of the Mo. Mtg. for the receipts and disbursements of the income for 1896 from the different funds under their control. The a/c have been examined by 2 Trustees & found correct. There has been no change in the investments. In accordance with the decision of the Monthly Mtg, the building presented to it by our late friend J. Wilson, has been fitted up for the use of the 1st day school & Bible classes & other purposes in connection with the work of the Mtg, & the interest from the invested income of that fund has been devoted mainly to the running expenses. The gymnasium & classrooms on our light st property have been successfully conducted during the past year, in addition to the different branches previously inaugurated. The fence on the south side of that property has been rebuilt, & half of the cost has been collected from most of the adjoining owners. The houses on James Alley have been kept in repair & rented out as usual. The Halstead legacy for Federal Hill Mission was invested in the building. The Halstead legacy for Federal Hill Mission was invested in the building. The Halstead legacy for Federal Hill Mission was invested in the building.

At a called meeting of the Trustees of Baltimore Monthly Meeting of Friends held 6th Mo. 30th 1898, present Francis White, president, Jesse Lyson, Miles White Jr. & John L. Thomas.

The committee on renovating the meeting house reported that a sufficient sum has been secured, & that the work has been begun. The committee was continued.

The secretary reported that the Kindergarten association had decided not to rent the upper rooms of Friends Institute, as proposed by them.

The Treasurer stated that our friend Elizabeth Reed has handed him \$5,000.- with the request that it be invested, & the interest be applied towards defraying the ordinary expenses of the Monthly Meeting, or in any way that the Monthly Meeting may direct. The generous gift was received & highly appreciated, & the Treasurer was directed to invest about \$3,000.- in Northern Pacific or Union