

January 4th, 1899.

FORM OF LETTER SENT TO BOARD OF TRUSTEES .

John H. Converse, Esq., President,

500 North Broad Street,

Philadelphia.

Dear Sir :-

You are earnestly requested to attend a  
meeting of the Board of Trustees, Fairmount Park  
Art Association, Thursday, January 5th, 4.30 P. M.  
at the Art Club, 220 South Broad Street.

By order.

Charles H. Howell,

Secretary.



## MINUTES BOARD OF TRUSTEES .

A meeting of the Board of Trustees, Fairmount Park Art Association, was held January 5th, 1899 at the Art Club, at 4.30 P. M. Present:- William W. Justice, Charles H. Howell, Henry K. Fox, John T. Morris, James M. Beck and Charles J. Cohen. In the absence of the President, Colonel Howell took the Chair and Mr. Cohen acted as Secretary. President John H. Converse, Joel J. Baily and Leslie W. Miller joined the meeting at a later hour .

The minutes of the last meeting of the Board, held December 15th, 1898 were read, and, on motion, were approved.

The following letter of resignation as a member of the Board was received from Mr. Thomas Dolan, and, on motion of Mr. Morris, seconded by Mr. Fox, the resignation was accepted.



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"To the Board of Trustees of the  
Faimount Park Art Association.

Gentlemen:-

I regret extremely that my duties do not permit me giving the time to the affairs of the Association that I feel is due, and I therefore respectfully tender my resignation as a member of the Board.

With my best wishes for the future of the Association and its prosperity, believe me,

Sincerely yours,  
(Signed.) Thomas Dolan.

On motion of Mr. Justice, seconded by Mr. Morris, Mr. Thomas J. Dolan was nominated as a member of the Board to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Thomas Dolan, for the term expiring October, 1899. Under suspension of the rules, the Secretary was asked to cast an unanimous ballot; whereupon, Mr. Thomas J. Dolan was declared duly elected to serve as a director for the term above noted.

On motion of Mr. Baily, seconded by Mr. Morris, the following resolution was adopted:-



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WHEREAS, it having come to the knowledge of the Board of Trustees that Mr. Clarence H. Clark would not accept the position of Treasurer of the Association, therefore be it

RESOLVED that this Board learns with sincere regret of the declination of Mr. Clarence H. Clark to serve as a member of the Board of Trustees, and as Treasurer; that this resolution be entered upon the minutes ; and that a copy of the same be sent to Mr. Clark.

The Chair stated that a vacancy existed in the Board of Trustees, and, upon motion of Mr. Justice, seconded by Mr. Morris, James W. Paul, Jr., Esq. was nominated. Under suspension of the rules the Secretary was ordered to cast a unanimous ballot, and Mr. Paul was declared duly elected as a member of the Board of Trustees to serve for the term expiring October 1900.

The Chair stated that Mr. Fox, acting Treasurer, had declined to be a candidate for re-nomination. On



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motion of Mr. Fox, seconded by Mr. Morris, James W. Paul, Jr., Esq. was nominated to fill that position, and, under suspension of the rules, the Secretary was authorized to cast a unanimous ballot. Thereupon, Mr. Paul was declared duly elected Treasurer for the fiscal year of the Association, and until his successor should be duly chosen.

The Secretary was instructed to inform Mr. Fox, Acting Treasurer of the election of Mr. Paul as his successor, and, after an audit of Mr. Fox's accounts to date, to authorize the latter to hand over the books, papers, moneys, and securities of the Association to Mr. Paul, the Treasurer.

Mr. Fox having stated that he held a general power-of-attorney from the Board of Trustees to satisfy mortgages, upon his motion it was ordered that the said general power-of-attorney be revoked, (he being no longer



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Treasurer) and that a statement to that effect be filed with the Recorder of Deeds in Philadelphia.

Upon motion of Mr. Fox, seconded by Mr. Morris, it was ordered that James M. Beck, Esq., Counsellor of the Association be created attorney in fact for the purpose of satisfying the mortgage of Solomon Frank, due the Association, dated March 28th, 1892, recorded April 5th, 1892 in Mortgage Book T. G. 161, page 255.

Upon motion of Mr. Morris, seconded by Mr. Baily, it was ordered that the amount of the balance in the Garfield Fund, viz. \$56.25 be transferred to the Permanent Park Fund of the Association, less the deduction, however of \$7.67, the amount of over draft on the Grant Fund, which had been previously paid from the General Park Fund; thus closing the accounts of the Garfield and Grant Funds.



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Mr. Cohen stated that an expenditure of upwards of Two Hundred Dollars had been incurred by the Committee on Smith Memorial, and suggested that the Association should be reimbursed for such expenditure. On motion of Mr. Justice, seconded by Mr. Baily, it was ordered that Colonel Charles H. Howell, Secretary and Charles J. Cohen should be appointed a Committee to wait on John B. Gest, Esq., Trustee of the Estate of Richard Smith, deceased, with a memorandum of the expenditure referred to and to request the latter that the Association be reimbursed.

Mr. Cohen stated for the Finance Committee that some difficulty had been experienced in getting suitable legal investments, and, as there had been for some months a cash balance in the treasury of upwards of Ten Thousand Dollars, and that as an opportunity now offered for a suitable investment at the rate of



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interest of four per cent, consent was asked from the Board for investment at that rate of interest. On motion of Mr. Justice, seconded by Mr. Morris, it was ordered that investment in suitable mortgages at a rate of interest of four and one-half per cent (if obtainable) or at not less than four per cent in the discretion of the Finance Committee be authorized.

It having been stated that the unveiling of the Grant Monument would positively take place on Grant Day, April 27th, 1899, Mr. Converse, President, and Chairman of the Committee on Grant Memorial, authorized the Secretary to call a meeting of all the Committees in relation thereto, for Thursday, January 12th /, 1899, at the Union League, at 4.30 P. M.

The Chair stated that the third payment to Frank Edwin Elwell for the statue of "Charles Dickens and Little Nell" would fall due in July, 1899, and suggested that some action should be taken looking toward a



movement on the part of the Entertainment Committee for some form of gathering by which the necessary amount of money could be obtained to meet such payment. After full discussion, no action was taken.

The report of Mr. Henry K. Fox, Acting Treasurer, dated January 5th, 1899 was read and ordered to be entered upon the minutes.

# FAIRMOURN PARK ART ASS'N.

Philadelphia, January 5th, 1899

|                           |               |
|---------------------------|---------------|
| Permanent Fund (Park)     | \$10,759.50   |
| " " (City)                | 3,407.51      |
| General Fund, (Park)      | 2,252.74      |
| " " (City)                | 691.54        |
| Garfield Memorial Fund,   | 56.25         |
| McClellan Memorial Fund,  | 981.22        |
| Lafayette Memorial Fund,  | 117.16        |
| Fountain Fund,            | 313.22        |
| Boys & Girls Art Brigade, | <u>103.17</u> |
|                           | \$18,682.31   |



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|                                              |                 |
|----------------------------------------------|-----------------|
| Grant Memorial Fund owes (Gen'l. Fund, Park) | \$ 7.67         |
| General City Fund owes Gen'l. Park Fund,     | <u>1,100.00</u> |
|                                              | \$1,107.67      |

On motion, adjourned 6 P. M.

*Charles Cohen*

Acting Secretary



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Mr. Charles J. Cohen,

312 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia.

My dear Mr. Cohen:-

I have your favor of the 26th inst.  
and have received from Mr. Howell, signed and  
returned to him, notifications to the banks and Title  
Company as to the change in the Treasurership.

My view would be that it should be left to  
Mr. Paul to furnish a bond, either with one of  
his partners as bondsman, or the American Surety Co.  
as he may prefer. I think either would be satisfactory  
to the Association.

Very truly yours,

(Signed.)

John H. Converse,



COPY OF NOTICES SENT TO NEWSPAPERS JANUARY 28th, 1899

At a recent meeting of the Board of Trustees  
of the Fairmount Park Art Association, the following  
officers were elected to serve for the current year:

PRESIDENT

John H. Converse,

VICE PRESIDENTS.

Joel J. Baily

Frank Thomson,

Charles C. Harrison, L. L. D.

William W. Justice.

TREASURER.

James W. Paul, Jr.

SECRETARY.

Charles H. Howell

COUNSELLOR.

James M. Beck.

The Committee on Grant Memorial is perfecting  
arrangements for the unveiling of the Grant Equestrian  
Monument in Fairmount Park on the anniversary of the birth-  
day of General Grant, April 27th, next.



COPY OF LETTER SENT TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

April 13th, 1899.

Col. Charles H. Howell,  
1523 Walnut Street,  
Philadelphia.

Dear Sir :-

A meeting of the Board of Trustees, Fairmount  
Park Art Association will be held on Monday, April 17th  
at the Union League, at four o'clock P. M. to receive  
and consider the report of the Committee on Works of Art  
in reference to the purchase of the Spanish Cannon.

John H. Converse,

President.



## MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

February 28th, 1899.

A meeting of the Board of Trustees, Fairmount Park Art Association was held Tuesday, February 28th, 1899 at the Union League, 3.30 P. M. Present:

Charles H. Howell,

John T. Morris,

William W. Justice,

Joel J. Bailly

Charles J. Cohen.

Mr. Bailly, First Vice President, took the Chair, and Mr. Cohen acted as Secretary.

The Minutes of the last meeting of the Board, January 5th, 1899, were read, and on motion, were approved.

Mr. Cohen, from the Committee on Smith Memorial, presented the following report, which was discussed at considerable length. It was objected to by Colonel Howell, for the reason that Charles Grafly, whom the Committee recommended for the bust of John B. Gest, Esq. had



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already received a commission for that of Admiral Porter for the Smith Memorial.

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President and Board of Trustees,

Fairmount Park Art Association.

Gentlemen:-

At the meeting of your Board, held November 16th, 1898, the following resolution was adopted:

"On motion of Colonel Howell, it was ordered that the award for the bust of Mr. Gest be referred to a special Committee of Five, as follows: Messrs. Edward H. Coates, Charles E. Dana, Albert G. Hetherington, John T. Morris, Leslie W. Miller, Charles J. Cohen and E. Burgess Warren, the last named, exofficio Chairman of the Committee on Smith Memorial; the said Committee to report to the Board of Trustees of the Fairmount Park Art Association as to their conclusion."

In conformity therewith, your Committee has met several times, giving much thought and thoroughly discussing



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the subject in hand. I am instructed to inform you that, at the meeting of the Committee held February 15th, 1899, it was decided that Charles Grafly be the sculptor selected to execute the bust of John B. Gest, Esq., under Item 4, Smith Memorial; the same commission declined by John J. Boyle.

Respectfully,

(Signed)

Charles J. Cohen,

Secretary to the Committee,  
Smith Memorial.

Mr. Miller joined the meeting at 3.55, and, as a member of the Committee on Smith Memorial, explained the difficulties that had been encountered by the Committee in meeting this question. Fourteen commissions had been awarded to twelve American Sculptors residing both in the United States and in Europe. Furthermore, as Mr. Miller showed, it was considered desirable to have the bust of Mr. Gest made by a Philadelphian, residing in the city;



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and, besides, confidence had been expressed in Mr. Grafly's ability to do the work in an acceptable manner. Finally, on motion of Mr. Morris, seconded by Mr. Justice, the report was accepted.

As an important meeting of the Committee on Grant Memorial had been called for four o'clock, and as the members of that Committee were present at this meeting, at 4.15 it was, on motion, decided that a recess be taken until 5.15 P. M. at which time the Board reconvened, with Mr. Converse President, in the Chair, and Colonel Howell as Secretary. All the members were present as above stated with the exception of Mr. Cohen.

Upon motion of Mr. Morris, seconded by Mr. Miller, authority was given to increase the edition of Annual Report No. 32 from 3000 to 5000.

On motion of Mr. Morris, seconded by Mr. Miller, an appropriation of Twenty Dollars (\$20.00) was authorized to be paid to Mr. Swift, Assistant to Henry K. Fox, Esq. late Treasurer, for the preparation of Mr. Fox's closing account.



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Upon motion of Mr. Justice, seconded by Mr.

Morris, it was ordered that a formal power-of-attorney be prepared to authorize the President or Treasurer of the Association to acknowledge satisfaction and record in the office of the Recorder of Deeds, etc. of any County, of any State for the principal money and interest due or to become hereafter due on any mortgage executed or to be executed to said Association or to said Association assigned or transferred now or hereafter in its own right or as executor, trustee, administrator, guardian, committee, assignee or any other fiduciary capacity whatsoever, as the same may be paid off and satisfied. With power to appoint one or more substitutes under them for that purpose and again at pleasure to revoke such substitution and appoint other like attorneys.

The Secretary reported that Captain Thomas J. Dolan had accepted his election as a trustee, and asked to be excused for absence, being away from the city; whereupon the President appointed Captain Dolan as a member of the



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Committee on Grant Memorial.

Mr. Morris reported that the title insurance for Fifty-two Hundred Dollars (\$5200.00) on the mortgage of Seven Thousand Dollars (\$7000.00) on the Philadelphia Cycle & Field Club, Ardmore, Pennsylvania, was considered inadequate; it was therefore moved by Mr. Morris, seconded by Mr. Justice, that the question of increasing the said insurance policy be referred to Mr. Paul, Treasurer, with power to act, and that the resolution be referred to Mr. Morris to explain the facts in connection therewith to the Treasurer.

Adjourned 5.50 P. M.

*Charles J. Cohen*

*acting*

Secretary



MINUTES BOARD OF TRUSTEES, FAIRMOUNT PARK ART ASSOCIATION,

APRIL 17th, 1899.

A meeting of the Board of Trustees, was held at the Union League, Monday, April 17th, at 4 o'clock P. M. Present:

President, John H. Converse,

Col. Charles H. Howell,

A. G. Hetherington,

Leslie W. Miller,

James MacAlister, L. L. D.

Joel J. Baily,

E. Burgess Warren,

William W. Justice,

Cap't. Thomas J. Dolan,

Henry K. Fox,

Charles J. Cohen.

Mr. Converse presided and Mr. Cohen acted as Secretary.

The Chair stated that this was a special meeting called to receive the report of the Committee on Works of Art as to the purchase of Spanish Cannon.

Mr. Miller, Chairman of the Committee on Works of Art, presented the following report, which was read, and ordered to be entered on the minutes.



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To the Board of Trustees of the  
Fairmount Park Art Association,

Gentlemen:-

The attention of the Committee on Works of Art of this Association having recently been called to the recent importation by a New York firm, of several old Spanish Cannon of undoubted artistic interest, three members of this Committee, namely, Messrs. Howell, Burns and Miller, visited New York on the 11th instant, and inspected them with a view to securing such of them as in the judgment of the Board it might be deemed advisable to acquire for Fairmount Park.

Many of the pieces are of considerable interest, artistically as well as historically. They bear dates ranging from 1717 to 1760 are elaborately ornamented with armorial and other inscriptions. They were purchased from the Spanish Government immediately after the cessation of hostilities last August, and are for sale by B. Lissberger & Co., 62 Wall St., New York, it being stated by the above firm that the United States Government allowed their sale



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as described above, on the ground that the pieces were obsolete as munitions of war.

The cannon are offered for sale at the price of 25 cents a pound, and the members of this Committee who have seen them, unite in recommending the purchase of at least two cannon of which they have memoranda for future use in case the Board approves of carrying the negotiation any further.

In addition to the cannon which are about 10 ft. long and are estimated to weigh rather more than 4000 lbs. apiece, there are two mortars of nearly equal interest. Regarding these, the Committee makes no recommendation, but will be glad to act in accordance with the feeling of the Board.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed.)

Leslie W. Miller,

Chairman,

Committee on Works of Art

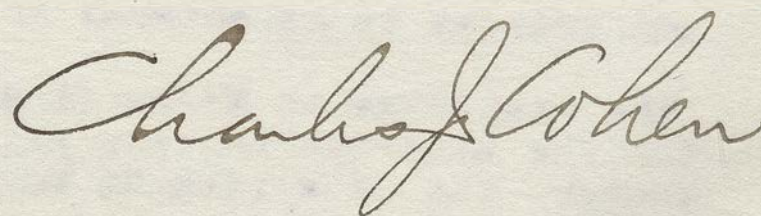


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After considerable discussion, which was participated in by all the members present, it was finally moved by Dr. MacAlister, seconded by Mr. Justice, and unanimously adopted that

The Committee on Works of Art be authorized to purchase for the Association, one pair of Spanish Cannon and one mortar, the selection to be made by the Committee on Works of Art and that an expenditure be authorized at an approximate rate of twenty-five cents per pound, with a special United States Customs duty of five cents per pound, the approximate weight of the two cannon being 10,000 pounds.

Adjourned 4.50 P. M.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Charles J. Cohen". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the typed name "Acting Secretary".

Acting Secretary.



# MINUTES OF COMMITTEE ON WORKS OF ART

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A meeting of the Committee on Works of Art was held at the Union League, Monday, April 17th, 1899 at 5 o'clock P. M. Present:

Leslie W. Miller, Chairman,

A. G. Hetherington,

E. Burgess Warren,

Col. Charles H. Howell

Charles J. Cohen.

Mr. Miller presided and Mr. Cohen acted as Secretary.

The resolution as adopted by the Board of Trustees, Fairmount Park Art Association on the above date, in reference to the purchase of Spanish Cannon, was presented and ordered to be entered on the minutes:

The Committee on Works of Art be authorized to purchase for the Association, one pair of Spanish Cannon and one mortar, the selection to be made by the Committee on Works of Art, and that an expenditure be authorized at an approximate rate of twenty-five cents per pound, with a special United States Customs duty of five cents per pound, the approximate weight of the two Cannon being 10,000 pounds."

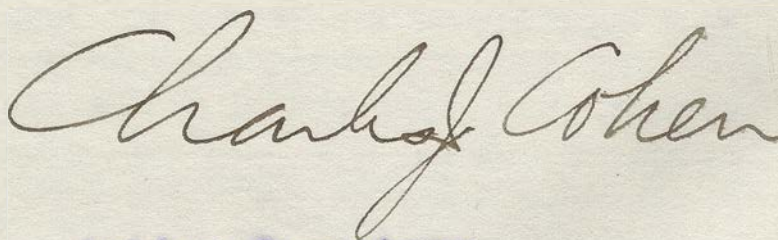
On motion, duly seconded, it was decided that the



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Chairman, Mr. Miller, accompanied by Mr. Hetherington, of this Committee be authorized to go to New York, on Tuesday, the 18th instant, with authority to secure the two cannon, as selected, and to have the same immediately forwarded to Philadelphia, and further, that they be empowered to endeavor to secure from the present owners, Messrs. Lissberger & Co., of New York, renewal of their original offer, as addressed to Colonel Howell, Secretary, viz: Twenty-five cents per pound. It was also decided to endeavor to secure a guarantee that these cannon be released from all claims by the United States Government and from any responsibility of any kind.

On motion, adjourned, 5.20 P. M.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Charles Cohen". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the typed name "Charles Cohen".

Charles Cohen  
Acting Secretary.



NOTICE SENT TO BOARD OF TRUSTEES, APRIL 28th, 1899.

Col. Charles H. Howell,  
1523 Walnut Street,

Dear Sir :-

An important meeting of the Board of  
Trustees, Fairmount Park Art Association will be  
held Tuesday, May 2nd, at 12 o'clock Noon, at  
the Western National Bank, 406 Chestnut Street .

Your attendance is requested .

John H. Converse,  
President.



MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES, MAY 2 nd, 1899.

A meeting of the Board of Trustees, Fairmount Park Art Association was held at the Western National Bank, 408 Chestnut Street, Tuesday, May 2nd, 1899, at Noon. Present

John H. Converse, President,

C. N. Weygandt,

Capt. Thomas J. Dolan,

Joel J. Baily,

Wm. W. Justice,

Charles C. Harrison, L. L. D.

Col. Charles H. Howell,

A. G. Hetherington,

Charles J. Cohen,

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Mr. Converse presided and Mr. Cohen acted as Secretary.

Mr. L. W. Miller, Chairman Committee on Works of Art sent the following report, which upon motion was ordered to be entered upon the minutes.



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Philadelphia, April 19th, 1899.

To the Board of Trustees of the  
Fairmount Park Art Association.

Gentlemen:-

In accordance with the instructions received at the meeting of the 17th inst., Mr. Hetherington and myself, went to New York, yesterday, the 18th inst. and reached an understanding with Messrs. B. Lissberger & Co. regarding the purchase by the Association of the Spanish cannon which formed the subject of the special report which I submitted at the meeting last Monday.

On reflection and in deference to the earnestly expressed wishes of several members of the Board, we decided to include one mortar in our purchase as well as the two cannon which were mentioned in the resolution under which we acted, and I respectfully ask the Board's approval of this decision.

The agreement with Messrs. Lissberger is as follows:

"We accept their original offer to sell such pieces as we may select at the price of 25 cents a pound, with the understanding that the effort shall be made



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by us to assist in having the pieces entered free of duty. In case of failure to accomplish this, however, the Association is to pay one half the duty that is actually required to be paid on the pieces purchased by the Association, it being further understood that Messrs. Lissberger shall assume all responsibility for any questions that may arise regarding the claims of the U. S. Government to regard the guns as part of the spoils of the late war with Spain. After settling these matters Mr. Hetherington and myself proceeded to the Erie Basin, where the guns are stored, and attended to the designation by tags of the following pieces -

1 Cannon, "Miltiades", 1 Cannon "Semiramis", 1 Mortar, being the one already selected by Mr. Dalton Door, whose report on the guns was the immediate cause of our own inspection of them.

I respectfully recommend that an official letter confirming the agreement as stated above be sent to the Messrs. Lissberger at the earliest practicable moment, in which case they agree to ship the guns at once. It is hoped by your Committee that they may arrive in season



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to be shown on the occasion of the Grant Unveiling on the 27th of this month.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed.)

Leslie W. Miller,  
Chairman.

Upon motion, the action of the Committee in all details, as to the purchase, was confirmed

Mr. Cohen read a letter, addressed by the Acting Secretary, under date of April 20th, 1899, to the Secretary of the Treasury, at Washington, and stated that the desire of the Association to enter the cannon and mortar with its carriage, free of duty, had been taken up by the Collector and Deputy Collector of the Port at Philadelphia, with great earnestness, and that he was glad to state that the Secretary of the Treasury had ordered their delivery to the Fairmount Park Art Association, free of duty, under paragraph 702 of the Tariff Act, with the understanding that a bond would be furnished by the Fairmount Park Art Association, duly signed and sealed, as security,



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guaranteeing that these cannon and mortar would be placed in permanent exhibition in Fairmount Park, Philadelphia, to be neither transferred nor sold, and in the event of such resulting, the duty to become available.

Letters were read from Mrs. S. Weightman Wister, under date of April 21st, addressed to Mr. Warren, and one from Mr. Warren, under date of the 29th, enclosing the same; the former containing a suggestion as to the location of the Spanish Cannon. Upon motion, the question of their permanent position was referred to the Committee on Works of Art, with power to act.

Upon motion, the Committee on Works of Art was authorized to place the cannon temporarily in some suitable location in Philadelphia, for exhibition, at such charge and under such regulations as they may deem fit.

The bill from Messrs. B. Lissberger & Co., 62 Wall Street, New York, under date of April 26th, 1899, was presented as follows:



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New York, April 26th, 1899

Fairmount Park Art Association,  
to B. Lissberger & Co.  
62 Wall Street,

|    |                           |             |                |
|----|---------------------------|-------------|----------------|
| #1 | 1 Mortar                  | 2396        |                |
| #2 | 1 Cannon                  | 2652        |                |
| #3 | 1 Cannon                  | 4620        |                |
|    | 1 Mortar Carriage (2 pcs) | <u>1296</u> | 10,964 at 25 ¢ |

Via P . R. R.      620      \$2,741.00  
                         676

Please draw check order of North American Trust Co.

.....  
WM. H. FORCE & CO.

78 Front St.  
New York, April 24th, 1899.

Return of Cannon.

By order of Mess. B . Lissberger & Co. for Philadelphia.

|       | CANNON |       | CARRIAGE |
|-------|--------|-------|----------|
| #1    | 2396   | #1    | 620      |
| #2    | 2652   | #2    | 676      |
| #3    | 4620   |       |          |
| <hr/> |        | <hr/> |          |
| 3     | 9668   | 2     | 1296     |

5 pieces 10964 lbs.

(Signed.)      Wm. H. Force & Co.



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Upon motion, the bill amounting to \$2,741. was approved and the Secretary authorized to draw a warrant for the amount named.

In view of the prompt and successful action taken by the authorities both in Washington and Philadelphia, in permitting free entry; upon motion, the acting Secretary was instructed to write to the Secretary of the Treasury, at Washington, and to the Collector and Deputy Collector of Customs at Philadelphia, and to express the appreciation of this Board for courtesies extended.

President Converse stated that a number of letters had been received by him commending the success of the ceremonies attending the unveiling of the Grant Monument and that such would be forwarded to Col. Howell, Secretary, in due course.

It having been stated that a number of requests had been received from members of the Association for seats without the accompanying amount as originally agreed upon, namely, the sum of \$1.00 each, the Acting Secretary was instructed to render bills in all such instances.



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A bill from Major Lockhart, chief clerk at Headquarters, namely for five weeks' services at \$25.00 per week, \$125.00 as approved by Col. Nicholson, was duly passed and ordered to be forwarded in due course to Mr. Baily, Chairman of the Finance Committee.

Upon motion of Captain Dolan, Captain Weaver, the Press Representative, whose services were secured by the Committee on Grant Memorial, was awarded the sum of \$100.00 as compensation, and, it was also understood that he should be reimbursed for sundry expenses incurred.

Upon motion, Wm. W. Justice, Esq., was appointed a Committee to wait upon Messrs. Peter Wright & Sons, to express to them the thanks of the Board of Trustees, and the Committees on Grant Memorial, affiliated with it, for their courtesies in extending the use of a suitable boat for the visit of the President of the United States with the Committee, to the United States Cruiser "Raleigh", on Friday, the 28th of April, 1899.

It having been stated that a large number of applications from invited guests had been received, asking for the



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privilege of tickets to the Academy of Music, and that the supply of seats had been exhausted, it was ordered that a suitable notice be prepared and forwarded to such named.

Inquiry having been made as to the method of payments from the fund in the hands of the Finance Committee, as also the amount contributed by the City Councils, it was understood that Mr. Baily, Chairman, would take an early opportunity to visit Mr. Seeds, Chairman of the Finance Committee of City Councils, and obtain from him the exact method by which accounts should be presented for payment.

The Acting Secretary was instructed to forward at an early date, photographs of the bronze equestrian statue of General U. S. Grant in Fairmount Park, to Mrs. U. S. Grant, Miss Sartoris, Captain Sartoris, and to General Fred Grant.

James MacAlister, L. L. D. and Leslie W. Miller, wrote to say that engagements would prevent their being present at the meeting.

Mr. Morris wrote, asking as to where bills should be presented and enclosing a letter from Mr. L. W. Miller and Mr. Warren, with reference to their care of the guests



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entrusted to them.

A letter from Mr. Sweigard, General Superintendent, Philadelphia and Reading Railway Co., under date of April 26th, was transmitted through Director English, stating that as far as possible, the train service over their road in the vicinity of Fountain Green bridge, would be restricted to such as were absolutely necessary.

Mr. Cohen stated that under the suggestion from President Converse, resolutions had been prepared as follows, and these were ordered to be entered upon the minutes and to be forwarded in due course.

His Excellency, The President of United States , Washington,

Mrs. U. S. Grant, do

Hon. Samuel H. Ashbridge, Mayor of Philadelphia, City Hall,

The Fairmount Park Commission, do

Hon. Abraham L. English, Director of Public Safety do

To the Representatives of the Newspapers of  
Philadelphia and Vicinity,

Hampton L. Carson, Esq.

426 Drexel Bldg.

The Union League,

Broad & Sansom

Hon. A. Loudon Snowden,

Room 127 City Hall



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| Major-General George R. Snowden,                                       | Room 544 City Hall,  |
| Brigadier General Schall,                                              | Room 544 City Hall,  |
| Col. Theo. E. Wiedersheim,,<br>Chairman Committee on Military Display, | 430 Chestnut Street  |
| John T. Morris,<br>Chairman, Reception Committee,                      | 826 Drexel Building, |
| Joel J. Baily,<br>Chairman, Finance Committee,                         | 603 Market Street,   |
| Col. John P. Nicholson,<br>Chairman, Committee on Invitation.          | 7th & Walnut Sts,    |
| Children of the American Revolution,                                   | St. Davids, Penna.   |
| Daughters of the American Revolution,                                  | Brooklyn, New York.  |
| Christian League of Philadelphia,                                      | 929 Race Street,     |
| The Chinese Minister,<br>Wu Ting Fang,                                 | Washington, D. C.    |
| Bishop O. B. Whitaker,                                                 | 4027 Walnut Street,  |
| Chaplain H. Clay Trumbull, D. D.                                       | 1031 Walnut Street,  |
| Hon. William A. Stone,<br>Governor of Pennsylvania,                    | Harrisburg, Penna.   |
| Bell Telephone Company,                                                | 11th & Filbert Sts.  |
| Hon. Thomas L. Hicks,<br>Postmaster,                                   | 9th & Chestnut Sts.  |
| Mr . I. A. Sweigard, Gen'l. Sup't,<br>Philadelphia & Reading Rwy.      | 12th & Market Sts.   |
| Major Bingham,                                                         | Schuylkill Arsenal,  |
| West Jersey & Seashore Rwy.                                            | Market St. Ferry,    |



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| Western Union Telegraph Co.                                      | 10th & Chestnut Sts. |
| Undine Barge Club,                                               | 10th & Chestnut Sts. |
| Col. Charles H. Howell,<br>Committee on Ceremonies,              | 1523 Walnut Street,  |
| Frank Thomson, Esq., President,<br>Pennsylvania R. R. Co.        | Broad Street Station |
| Hon. C. Wesley Thomas,<br>Collector of Customs,                  | Custom House         |
| Mr. F. I. Crilly,<br>Special Deputy Collector,                   | Custom House         |
| Hon. Lyman J. Gage,<br>Secretary of the Treasury.                | Washington, D. C.    |
| Captain John C. Groome<br>First Troop Philadelphia City Cavalry, |                      |
| James L. Miles,<br>President Select Council,                     | City Hall,           |
| Wencel Hartman,<br>President Common Council.                     | City Hall,           |

Adjourned 1.05 P.M.

*Charles Cohen*  
*acting Secretary*



COPY OF LETTER SENT TO BOARD OF TRUSTEES AND GRANT COMMITTEES.

May 12th, 1899.

Dear Sir :-

A joint meeting of the Board of Trustees, Fairmount Park Art Association and the Committees on Grant Memorial will be held on Thursday next, May 18th, at the Union League, at 4 o'clock P. M.

It is intended that full reports be submitted at that time by each Committee through the Chairman or a member designated for that purpose.

It is considered extremely important that the very fullest reports should be made at that time, in order that the proper material may be supplied for the forthcoming publication descriptive of the unveiling of the Grant Monument.

Your compliance with this suggestion and your attendance at the time indicated, are desired.

John H. Converse,

President.



MINUTES OF JOINT MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
AND COMMITTEES ON GRANT MEMORIAL.

A joint meeting of the Board of Trustees, Fairmount  
Park Art Association with the Committees on Grant Memorial,  
was held at the Union League, Thursday, May 18th, 1899.

Present of the Board of Trustees:-

C. C. Harrison, L. L. D.  
Leslie W. Miller,  
Captain Thomas J. Dolan,  
Ferdinand J. Dreer,  
E. Burgess Warren,  
Joel J. Baily,  
C. N. Weygandt,  
Wm. W. Justice,  
Charles J. Cohen.

Of the Committee on Grant Memorial:

Gen. George R. Snowden,  
Col. Theo. E. Wiedersheim,  
Col. S. Bonnaffon, Jr.  
Captain James Hogan,  
Gen. James W. Latta,  
Major C. S. Turnbull,  
Captain Wm. S. Poulterer,

*Major J. Campbell Gilmore*

Of the Sub Committees on Grant Memorial:

Wm. S. Hallowell,  
Joseph S. Steinmetz,  
H. M. Rolin,  
Wm. R. Tucker,



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Mr. Baily was called to the Chair and Mr. Cohen acted as Secretary.

President Converse wrote, regretting that a pressure of engagements would prevent his attendance at this meeting.

The reading of the minutes of the last meeting was dispensed with.

Upon a call by the Chairman for reports of Committees, the following were submitted:

Committee on Military Display, Col. Wiedersheim,  
Chairman.

Committee on Ceremonies, Col. Howell, Chairman,

(Report presented by Mr. Steinmetz, and by  
Mr. Hallowell in Col. Howell's absence)

Finance Committee, Joel J. Baily, Esq., Chairman,

Reception Committee, John T. Morris, Chairman,

(Report presented by the Acting Secretary in  
Mr. Morris's absence)

Committee on Stands, Charles J. Cohen, Chairman.

Sub Committee on Reception, Leslie W. Miller, Chairman;

Sub Committee on Navy Salute, Commander M. Richards  
Muckle', Chairman;

Sub Committee on Naval Guests, W. R. Tucker, Chairman;

Sub Committee on Foreign Guests, E. Burgess Warren,  
Chairman.



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Mr. Cohen also reported as Acting Secretary.

The report of the Committee on Invitation, Col. Nicholson, Chairman, had been promised, but was not presented.

The above reports were read and ordered to be received and filed.

Upon motion of Mr. Weygandt, seconded by Mr. Justice, the cordial thanks of the meeting were ordered to be extended to the Chairmen and members of the different Committees with the very keen sense of appreciation of the successful work accomplished in every instance.

Upon motion of Col. Wiedersheim, the thanks of the meeting were extended to Col. Charles H. Howell, Secretary, and to Charles J. Cohen, Acting Secretary, for the interest shown in, and the successful accomplishment of the work incident to the unveiling of the Grant Monument.

Upon motion of General Latta, it was ordered that there be placed on record, the appreciation felt by the members of the Board and the General Committee with their allied Sub Committees of the untiring efforts of John H. Converse,



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Esq., President of the Association and Chairman of the General Committee to whose effective labor, strong personal interest and great administrative powers the success of the Grant Unveiling was largely due. It was further ordered that there be placed on record, the grateful appreciation of the generous hospitality extended by Mr. Converse on the occasion of his dinner at the Union League on the evening of the 27th of April, when the Board of Trustees and various Committees of the Fairmount Park Art Association together with the President of the United States, distinguished military naval and civil officers were the guests of the President of the Association.

Upon motion, it was ordered that the thanks of the Board, and of the Committee on Grant Memorial, with its affiliated Sub Committees be extended to Joel J. Baily, Esq., Chairman of the Finance Committee, whose earnest and successful efforts in obtaining the sum necessary to cover the expenses of the unveiling, made the occasion so eminently successful.



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At five o'clock Mr. Baily was excused and Mr. Justice took the Chair.

The Acting Secretary presented a report, estimating the cost of publishing an account of the Grant Unveiling, outlining the contents as per memorandum submitted. Upon motion, it was ordered that an appropriation of \$700.00 be authorized from the fund in care of Joel J. Baily, Chairman Finance Committee, and that the whole matter of the publication be referred to a special Committee of three, consisting of Joel J. Baily, Chairman, Charles H. Howell, Secretary Charles J. Cohen, Acting Secretary and John H. Converse, President ex officio, with power to act.

Mr. Baily, Chairman Finance Committee stated that, as the contributions were in excess of the probable expenses, the sum of \$250.00 received as an additional contribution from Mr. Frank Thomson, had been returned to him, as also a like sum received under similar conditions, from the Union Traction Co.

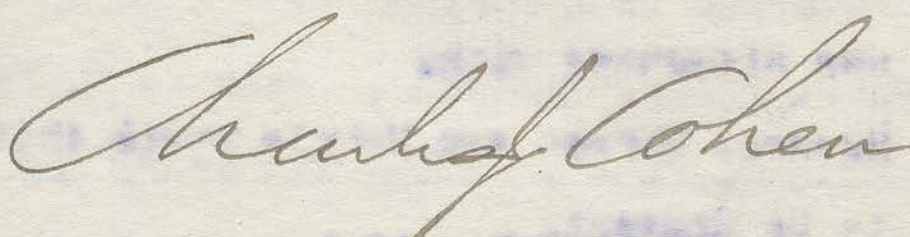
A number of congratulatory and complimentary letters, one from the Private Secretary to the President of the United



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States, one from Mrs. U. S. Grant and the members of her family, and a number from many of those who participated in the ceremonies at the Statue and at the Academy of Music were also read.

On motion, adjourned 5.30 P . M.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Charles Cohen". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the typed name "Charles Cohen".

Charles Cohen  
Acting Secretary.



MINUTES COMMITTEE ON WORKS OF ART.

A meeting of the Committee on Works of Art, Fairmount Park Art Association, was held at 320 So. Broad Street Friday, May 19th, 1899, at 4.30 P. M. Present:

Leslie W. Miller, Chairman  
Charles M. Buens, Jr.  
Charles J. Cohen,

Mr. Miller presided and Mr. Cohen acted as Secretary.

The reading of the minutes of the meeting of April 17th was dispensed with.

Messrs. Warren and Morris wrote that they would not be able to be present.

The following letter from Mr. Cohen, addressed to the Chairman was read .

May 16th, 1899.

Leslie W. Miller, Esq.,  
Broad & Pine Sts.  
Philadelphia.

Dear Mr. Miller:-

In view of the fact that it has been understood between the Fairmount Park Art Association, and the Department of the Treasury at Washington, that the Spanish Bronze Cannon, recently admitted free of duty, were for permanent free exhibition in Fairmount Park, it has occurred to me th at it would be unwise and perhaps incorrect to exhibit the cannon with a charge for admission. It might even be doubtful, under the circumstances noted above, whether it would be entirely



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correct to exhibit them at all, outside of the Park. Still, this latter may be a strained construction, and I submit the whole to your excellent judgment, for your consideration.

(Signed.) Very sincerely yours,  
Charles J. Cohen,

On motion, it was decided that, when the cannon were placed on exhibition, no charge would be made for admission.

The Chairman stated that through the courtesy and liberality of Mr. Wm. Weightman, the front room on the ground floor of the building at the S. W. Cor. of Chestnut & Juniper Sts., formerly occupied by Porter & Coates, as a book store, had been granted to the Committee for the purpose of exhibiting the cannon for the period of one month, without charge. It was understood that the Committee should hold itself responsible for any damages occurring to the property, and should be willing to vacate at any time on three days' notice.

Mr. Burns stated that he had attended to the preparatory work of placing the cannon on a temporary platform, and



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that Mr. Cohen, Acting Secretary, had given the necessary permit for their removal from the wharf of the Pennsylvania R. R. to the temporary quarters above referred to.

The Chairman submitted a circular and form of ticket which were read, and on motion, approved.

Philadelphia, May 22nd, 1899.

The Antique Spanish Bronze Cannon "Miltiades" and "Semiramis," from the Fortifications of Havana, together with a Mortar of the same period, cast at Barcelona and Seville (1731 to 1743), have been purchased by the Fairmount Park Art Association.

The cannon are ornamented with elaborate enrichments and heraldic devices, and have been acquired as much for their artistic merit as for their historic interest.

They will be on exhibition at 1326 Chestnut Street, from May 25th until June 17th, from 8 A. M. to 6 P. M.

Tickets are enclosed for the use of yourself and friends, and additional ones may be had by addressing the

Committee on Works of Art,

Fairmount Park Art Association,

L. W. Miller, Chairman,

No. 1326 Chestnut St.



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Upon motion, it was ordered that a Committee of Women be invited to take charge of the exhibit and attend to the suitable decoration of the room, to engage a door-keeper and a young lady as assistant, to answer all inquiries, and to solicit membership in the Association; it being understood that all expenses should be assumed by the Fairmount Park Art Association.

A bill from Messrs. J. W. Hampton Jr. & Co., Custom House Brokers covering the clearance of the cannon, both at New York and Philadelphia, was presented, accompanied by a letter explaining the charges in detail. Upon motion, the same was duly approved.

Philadelphia, May 15th, 1899.

Fairmount Park Art Association,  
to J. W. Hampton, Jr. & Co., Dr.  
420 Library St., Philadelphia.

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| To Custom House Entries in New York 8/5/ |         |
| "City of Washington" and Concho"         | \$10.50 |
| Expenses in New York                     | 15.00   |
| Internal Revenue Stamps at New York,     | 4.50    |
| Railroad Freight to Philadelphia         |         |
| lbs. 10968 at 18 ¢                       | 19.75   |



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| To Custom House Entries and services<br>at Philadelphia | \$25.00 |
| " Telephones and Telegrams,                             | 3.99    |
| " Internal Revenue stamps at Philada.                   | 3.00    |
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|                                                         | \$81.74 |

2 Cannon 7372 lbs.  
2 ~~Cann~~ 2300 lbs.  
1 Mortar 1296 lbs.

*pieces of carriage for mortar*

(Signed.)

Received Payment,  
J. W. Hampton, Jr. & Co.

Adjourned 6.10 P. M.

*Charles Cohen*  
Acting Secretary.







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BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
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LETTER SENT TO COMMITTEE ON WORKS OF ART.

June 2nd, 1899

Edward H. Coates, Esq.

Stephen Girard Building,

Dear Sir :-

An important meeting of the Committee on Works of Art, Fairmount Park Art Association will be held on Friday next, the 9th instant at 4.30 P. M. at the School of Industrial Art, Broad & Pine Sts., to consider and decide upon permanent locations for the Spanish Bronze Cannon and the Statue of "Charles Dickens and Little Nell" now on temporary exhibition at 1326 Chestnut Street.

Your attendance is earnestly requested.

L . W. Miller,

Chairman.



COPY OF LETTER SENT TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES JUNE 7th, 1899.

John H. Converse, Esq.

500 North Broad Street,

Dear Sir :-

A special meeting of the Board of Trustees, Fairmount Park Art Association will be held tomorrow Thursday, June 8th, at 9.30 A. M. at the Union League, to take action on the death of Frank Thomson, Esq., late Vice President of this Association.

Your attendance is requested.

John H. Converse,

President.



MINUTES BOARD OF TRUSTEES, JUNE 8th, 1899:

A special meeting of the Board of Trustees,  
Fairmount Park Art Association, was held Thursday  
June 8th, 1899. Present:

John H. Converse, President,

Joel J. Baily,

Wm. W. Justice,

Charles C. Harrison,

Charles J. Cohen.

Mr. Baily took the chair and Mr. Cohen acted as  
Secretary.

The Chair stated that the meeting had been called  
to take action on the death of Frank Thomson, Esq.  
late Vice President of the Association.

Mr. Cohen presented a minute, stating that  
President Converse and Secretary Howell had both approved  
of same.

On motion, it was ordered that the minute, as read,



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be adopted and entered on record; that a copy be sent to the family of Mr. Thomson; and that it be published in the daily papers of Philadelphia.

MINUTE

"The Board of Trustees, Fairmount Park Art Association desires to record its sincere and deep regret at the sudden loss of its Vice President,

Frank Thomson, Esq.

who has been identified with the Association for more than twenty years and who has served it as a Vice President since 1897.

Deeply interested in the development of art and of artistic culture in Philadelphia, and in the beautifying of its Park and gardens, Mr. Thomson was thoroughly and unselfishly devoted to the objects for which the Fairmount Park Art Association stands.

As a member of the Committee on the Grant Memorial, Mr. Thomson, by his most liberal and intelligent co-operation contributed in no small degree to the success of the ceremonies connected with the unveiling of the bronze equestrian statue of General



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U. S. Grant in Fairmount Park, April 27th, 1899.

The members of the Board of Trustees will miss his genial friendship, his keen insight into the affairs of moment brought to their consideration, and his untiring efforts in all that tended to the welfare of his City. "

John H. Converse,

President.

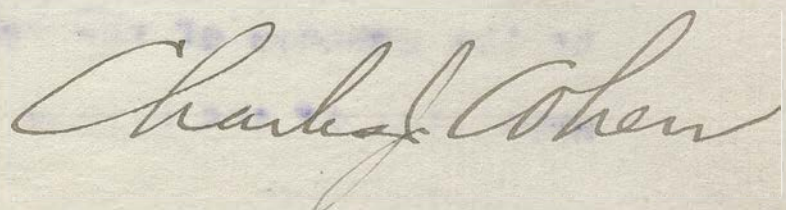
Charles H. Howell,

Secretary.

On motion it was ordered that the Board attend the funeral of Mr. Thomson, held on this date.

Mr. Morris wrote to say that absence from the City would prevent his attendance and Mr. Warren sent word to the same effect.

Adjourned.



Acting Secretary.



MINUTES COMMITTEE ON WORKS OF ART.

June 9th, 1899.

A meeting of the Committee on Works of Art was held at the School of Industrial Art, Broad and Pine Sts. at half past four o'clock P. M. to-day.

Present: Messrs. Hetherington, Burns and Miller.

The Chairman reported that owing to the pressure of duties during the past few days, he had been unable to see Col. A. Loudon Snowden in reference to the location of the Spanish Cannon, but expected to do so very soon. The Committee approved the proposition to place both Cannon and the Mortar somewhere along or near Belmont Avenue.

It was decided to remove the "Dickens and Little Nell" to the yard of the School of Industrial Art, pending the determination and preparation of a permanent site.

L. W. Miller,

Chairman.



Philadelphia, June 12th, 1899

To the Family  
of the late Frank Thomson, Esq.  
Vice President, Fairmount Park Art Association.

At a special meeting of the Board of Trustees  
Fairmount Park Art Association held June 8th, 1899,  
the accompanying minute was adopted and ordered to  
be sent to the family of Mr. Thomson.

The Board also adopted a resolution to the effect  
that its members attend the funeral.

Charles H. Howell,

Secretary.



List of those to whom acknowledgment of courtesies  
etc. received has been sent.

His Excellency, the President of the United States,  
Washington, D. C.

Mrs. U. S. Grant,

" "

Hon. Samuel H. Ashbridge,  
Mayor of Philadelphia,

City Hall,

Hon. Abraham L. English,  
Director of Public Safety,

City Hall,

To the Representatives of the  
Newspapers of Philadelphia  
and Vicinity,

Hampton L. Carson, Esq.,

426 Drexel Bldg.

The Union League

Broad & Sansom Sts.

Hon. A. Loudon Snowden,

Room 127 City Hall,

Major-General George R. Snowden,

Room 544 City Hall,

Brigadier General Schall,

Room 544 City Hall,

Col. Theo. E. Wiedersheim,

430 Chestnut St.

Chairman, Committee on Military Display,

Col. Charles H. Howell,

1523 Walnut Street,

Chairman, Committee on Ceremonies.

Mr. John T. Morris,

326 Drexel Building,

Chairman, Reception Committee

Joel J. Baily, Esq.

608 Market Street,

Chairman, Finance Committee,

Col. John P. Nicholson,

7th & Walnut Sts.

Chairman, Committee on Invitation.



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| Children of the American Revolution,<br>Mrs. Benj. Thomson, State Director, | St. Davids, Pa.                         |
| Daughters of the American Revolution,<br>Mrs. Henry Sanger Snow,            | Brooklyn, N. Y.                         |
| Christian League,<br>Rev. Fred Poole,<br>James W. Bond,                     | 929 Race Street,<br>7th & Chestnut Sts. |
| Wu Ting Fang,<br>The Chinese Minister to U. S.                              | Washington, D. C.                       |
| Bishop O. W. Whitaker,                                                      | 4027 Walnut St.                         |
| Chaplain H. Clay Trumbull, D. D.                                            | 1031 Walnut St.                         |
| Hon. William A. Stone,<br>Governor of Pennsylvania.                         | Harrisburg, Pa.                         |
| Bell Telephone Company,                                                     | 11th & Filbert Sts.                     |
| Hon. Thomas L. Hicks,<br>Postmaster of Phila.                               | 9th & Chestnut Sts.                     |
| Mr. I. A. Sweigard, Gen'l. Sup't.<br>Philadelphia & Reading Rwy.            | 12th & Market Sts.                      |
| Major Bingham,                                                              | Schuylkill Arsenal,                     |
| West Jersey & Seashore R. R. Co.                                            | Market St. Ferry.                       |
| Western Union Telegraph Co.                                                 | 10th & Chestnut Sts.                    |
| Undine Barge Club,                                                          | Fairmount Park                          |
| Frank Thomson, Esq., President,<br>Pennsylvania R. R. Co.                   | Broad St. Station,                      |



Hon. C. Wesley Thomas,  
Collector of Customs,

Custom House,

Mr. F. I. Grilly,  
Special Deputy Collector

Custom House,

Hon. Lyman J. Gage,  
Secretary of the Treasury,

Washington, D. C.

Captain John C. Groome,  
First Troop Philadelphia City Cavalry,

James L. Miles,  
President Select Council,

City Hall,

Wencel Hartman,  
President Common Council,

City Hall,

Jacob J. Seeds,  
Chairman Finance Committee  
City Councils.

115 No. 7th St.

John H. Converse, President,  
Fairmount Park Art Asso.  
Philadelphia, and the  
Chairmen & members of  
the several Committees.

500 N. Broad St.

Fairmount Park Commission

Veteran Corps Capt. Conrad.



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Hon. Abraham L. English,

Director of Public Safety,

City Hall, Philadelphia.

Dear Sir :-

The Board of Trustees, Fairmount Park Art Association with its affiliated Committees on Grant Memorial desires to note at this time, its appreciation of the success attending the excellent arrangements inaugurated and carried out through the various departments under your care for the safety of the distinguished guests of the Association, during the ceremonies incident to the unveiling of the bronze equestrian statue of General U. S. Grant.

Words of praise have been generally expressed at the admirable police arrangements everywhere prevailing and it is with no little satisfaction that the Association wishes to make record of and to convey to yourself and your Associates, the appreciation of your efforts in behalf of the Fairmount Park Art Association, and through it, in behalf of the welfare of the City of Philadelphia.

Very truly yours,

Charles J. Cohen

Acting Secretary.



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May 4th, 1899

Bishop O. W. Whitaker,

4027 Walnut Street, W. Philadelphia

Dear Sir :-

The Board of Trustees, Fairmount Park Art Association desires to express to you its deep sense of appreciation for the beautiful and earnest invocation offered on the 27th of April, at the time of the memorable exercises at the unveiling of the bronze equestrian statue of General U. S. Grant, in Fairmount Park, Philadelphia.

Your well chosen words so thoughtfully expressed have made a profound impression, and the Board feels that they have been specially honored and favored by your presence at that time.

Very respectfully yours,

Charles J. Cohen

Acting Secretary.



May 4th, 1899

Captain P. S. Conrad,  
11 Bank Street,

Dear Sir :-

I am obliged to you for your favor of the  
2nd instant covering the list of members of the Veteran  
Corps, 1st Regiment Infantry, N. G. P., who participated  
in the unveiling ceremonies of the Grant Memorial.

I am instructed by the Board of Trustees, to tender  
to you and the members of the Veteran Corps, under  
your command, the sincere thanks and appreciation of  
the Board for courtesies extended on the 27th of April.

Very respectfully yours,

Charles J. Cohen

Acting Secretary.



May 4th, 1899

To His Excellency, the President of the United States,  
Washington, D. C.

Sir :-

The Board of Trustees, Fairmount Park Art Association at a special meeting held May 2nd, 1899, unanimously adopted the following resolution:

"WHEREAS: The City of Philadelphia on the 27th and 28th days of April, 1899, was honored by the presence of the President of the United States, who visited the City for the purpose of attending the ceremonies incident to the unveiling of the bronze equestrian statue of General U. S. Grant, in Fairmount Park, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees, Fairmount Park Art Association, at whose invitation the President visited Philadelphia,

THAT the grateful thanks of the Fairmount Park Art Association of Philadelphia be tendered to the President of the United States and to the members of his Cabinet who accompanied him, for their presence on the auspicious occasion.

Be it further RESOLVED, That this resolution



To His Excellency, The President of the United States,

be entered upon the minutes of the Board of Trustees,  
and that a copy thereof be transmitted to His Excellency,  
the President of the United States.

Charles Cohen  
acting Secretary



May 4th, 1899

Hampton L. Carson, Esq.,  
Drexel Building,  
Philadelphia.

Dear Sir :-

The Board of Trustees, Fairmount Park Art Association took particular pride in extending you the invitation of the Association to deliver the Oration at the close of the ceremonies incident to the unveiling of the bronze equestrian statue of General U. S. Grant.

The Board now feels that no words can possibly convey to you its feeling of appreciation of your brilliant Oration on "The Life and Character of General U. S. Grant and its place in History."

From the President of the United States down to the humblest citizen who was privileged to be present, every individual member of the brilliant audience at the Academy of Music on the evening April 27th, will be grateful for having had the opportunity of knowing General Grant as you pictured him.

Very respectfully yours,

Charles J. Cohen

Acting Secretary.



May 5th, 1899

To the Fairmount Park Commission,  
City Hall, Philadelphia.

Gentlemen:-

The Board of Trustees, Fairmount Park Art Association desires to convey to your Honorable body, its great sense of appreciation for the interest taken by your Commission in the work of this Association, manifested especially during the recent unveiling of the bronze equestrian statue of General U. S. Grant in Fairmount Park.

For all the courtesies, extended the Association feels deeply indebted and recognizes as well, that its work was very much lightened by the generous co-operation of the members of your Body. All arrangements entered into were most successfully accomplished and such words of praise and commendation were spoken by our distinguished guests, as well as by citizens generally, that we feel it due to your Body to say that much of the success attending the recent auspicious event was the result of the interest taken by the members of the Fairmount Park Commission.

Very respectfully yours,

Charles J. Cohen

Acting Secretary.



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H. Clay Trumbull, D. D.

1031 Walnut Street,

Dear Sir :-

The Board of Trustees, Fairmount Park Art Association desires to extend to you its appreciation for the park that you have taken in the services at the Academy of Music at the close of the ceremonies incident to the unveiling of the bronze equestrian statue of General U. S. Grant, on April 27th, 1899.

Your invocation appealed to all those present, and your association with this memorable incident is very gratifying to the Board.

Very respectfully yours,

Charles J. Cohen

Acting Secretary.



May 9th, 1899

James L. Miles, Esq.,

President of Select Council,

City Hall, Philadelphia.

Dear Sir :-

The Board of Trustees, Fairmount Park Art Association desires to acknowledge the generous appropriation of \$6500. made by the City Councils of Philadelphia, toward the expenses incident to the unveiling of the bronze equestrian statue of General U. S. Grant in Fairmount Park, Philadelphia, April 27th, 1899. The occasion was made memorable by the presence of the President of the United States, members of his Cabinet, Mrs. U. S. Grant, and other distinguished guests, the Governor of Pennsylvania, a delegation from the State Legislature, the Mayor of Philadelphia, who presided at the unveiling ceremonies, as well as the officers and members of both branches of the Municipal Councils.

The action of City Councils in previously appropriating the total sum of \$20000 toward the expense of the pedestal, enabled this Association to complete



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James L. Miles, Esq.

the statue and to present it, through the Fairmount Park Commission, to the City of Philadelphia.

The Board considers that the community has been greatly benefitted by this generous act of Councils, and feels that its appreciative thanks are due to the members of the Municipal Legislature for their co-operation at this, as well as at previous times in the work of the Fairmount Park Art Association.

Very respectfully yours,

Charles J. Cohen,

Acting Secretary.



May 9th, 1899

Wencel Hartman, Esq.

President Common Councils,

City Hall, Philadelphia.

Dear Sir :-

The Board of Trustees, Fairmount Park Art Association desires to acknowledge the generous appropriation of \$6500, made by the City Councils of Philadelphia to-wards the expenses incident to the unveiling of the bronze equestrian statue of General U. S. Grant in Fairmount Park, Philadelphia, April 27th, 1899.

The occasion was made memorable by the presence of the President of the United States, members of his Cabinet, Mrs. U. S. Grant and other distinguished guests; the Governor of Pennsylvania, a delegation from the State Legislature; the Mayor of Philadelphia, who presided at the unveiling ceremonies, as well as the officers and members of both branches of municipal councils.

The action of City Councils in previously appropriating the total sum of \$9000 toward the expense of the pedestal, enabled this Association to complete



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Wencel Hartman, Esq., page 2

the statue and to present it, through the Fairmount Park Commission, to the City of Philadelphia. ✓

The Board considers that the community has been greatly benefited by this generous act by Councils and feels that its appreciative thanks are due to the members of the Municipal Legislature for their co-operation at this, as well as at previous times, in the work of the Fairmount Park Art Association.

Very respectfully yours,

Charles J. Cohen,

Acting Secretary.



May 25th, 1899

John H. Converse, Esq., President,  
500 North Broad Street,  
Philadelphia.

Dear Sir :-

I have the honor to report the following  
as the action taken by the joint meeting of the Board of  
Trustees and the Committees on Grant Memorial, Fairmount  
Park Art Association at the meeting held May 18th, 1899.

"Upon motion of General Latta, it was ordered that  
there be placed on record, the appreciation felt by the  
members of the Board and the General Committee with  
their affiliated Sub Committees, of the untiring efforts  
of John H. Converse, Esq., President of the Association  
and Chairman of the General Committee to whose effective  
labor, strong personal interest and great administrative  
powers the success of the Grant Unveiling was largely due.

It was further ordered that there be placed on  
record, the grateful appreciation of the generous  
hospitality extended by Mr. Converse on the occasion of  
his dinner at the Union League, when the Board of



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John H. Converse, Esq.

of Trustees and various Committees of the Fairmount  
Park Art Association, together with the President of  
the United States, distinguished military, naval and  
civil officers, were the guests of the President of  
the Association."

Respectfully yours,

Charles J. Cohen,

Acting Secretary.



May 16th, 1899

Jacob J. Seeds, Esq.

Chairman, Finance Committee,

City Councils,,

115 North 7th Streets,

Dear Sir :-

The Board of Trustees, Fairmount Park Art Association desires to acknowledge the generous appropriation of \$6500. made by the City Councils of Philadelphia, toward the expenses incident to the unveiling of the bronze equestrian statue of General U. S. Grant, in Fairmount Park, Philadelphia, April 27th, 1899.

The occasion was made memorable by the presence of the President of the United States, members of his Cabinet, Mrs. U. S. Grant, and other distinguished guests; the Governor of Pennsylvania, a delegation from the State Legislature, the Mayor of Philadelphia, who presided at the unveiling ceremonies, as well as the officers of both branches of municipal councils.

The action of City Councils in previously appropriating the total sum of \$9000 toward the expense



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Jacob J. Seeds, Esq.

of the pedestal, enabled this Association to complete the statue and to present it, through the Fairmount Park Commission, to the City of Philadelphia.

The Board considers that the community has been greatly benefited by this generous act of Councils, and feels that its appreciative thanks are due to the members of the Finance Committee, and of the Municipal Legislature for their co-operation at this, as well as at previous times, in the work of the Fairmount Park Art Association.

Very respectfully yours,

Charles J. Cohen,

Acting Secretary.



May 4th, 1899

Mrs. U. S. Grant,

2111 Massachusetts Ave.

Washington, D. C.

Dear Madam:-

The Board of Trustees, Fairmount Park Art Association together with its various Committees on Grant Memorial, desires at this time to express its keen realization of your graciousness in visiting Philadelphia, accompanied by the distinguished members of your household on the occasion of the unveiling of the bronze equestrian statue of General U. S. Grant.

The Board feels that the presence of your distinguished self, both at the time of the unveiling and during the delivery of the oration, added greatly to the spirit of the occasion, and the citizens of our City generally, have expressed many sentiments of pleasure at having had the privilege of receiving you, and showing the great regard in which you were held, particularly in Philadelphia.

Pray convey to the members of your household, who accompanied you on this auspicious occasion, the



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Mrs. U. S. Grant,

sentiments of regard and appreciation felt by this Board.

Very respectfully yours,

Charles J. Cohen

Acting Secretary.



May 3rd, 1899

Captain Weaver,

c/o "Philadelphia Inquirer"

1109 Market Street.

My dear Sir :-

At a meeting of the Board of Trustees,  
Fairmount Park Art Association, held on the 2nd instant  
it was unanimously Resolved,

That the thanks of the Board be tendered to  
Captain Weaver for his energy and successful conduct of  
matters connected with the Press entrusted to his care, at  
and preceding the ceremonies incident to the unveiling  
of the Bronze Equestrian Statue of General U. S. Grant, in  
Fairmount Park, Philadelphia, April 27th, 1899.

It was also voted that the sum of \$100 be  
appropriated and the same be forwarded to Captain Weaver  
in recognition of his services. A memorandum of this  
latter has been forwarded to Mr. Baily, Chairman of  
Finance Committee, and the same will reach you in due  
course.

With personal appreciation of your very successful  
conduct during these past notable weeks, believe me,

Very truly yours,  
Charles J. Cohen,  
Acting Secretary.



May 9th, 1899

Captain John C. Groome,

First Troop Philadelphia City Cavalry,  
Philadelphia.

Dear Sir :-

The Board of Trustees, Fairmount Park Art Association, desires to extend to you its thanks for and its appreciation of the presence of yourself, the other officers and the men of the troop under your command, for the part they have taken as the escort of the President of the United States, on the occasion of his visit to Philadelphia at the unveiling ceremonies of the bronze equestrian statue of General U. S. Grant, in Fairmount Park, Philadelphia, April 27th, 1899.

Your presence at that, as well as at all other similar occasions added dignity and impressiveness to the unveiling ceremonies, and the Board feels indeed greatly indebted to you for your services in its behalf.

Very respectfully yours,

Charles J. Cohen

Acting Secretary.



May 5th, 1899

Hon. Samuel H. Ashbridge,

Mayor of Philadelphia,

City Hall,

Sir :-

The Board of Trustees, Fairmount Park Art Association with its affiliated Committees on Grant Memorial, desires to extend to you its sincere thanks for your generous action in presiding at the ceremonies in Fairmount Park, during the recent unveiling of the bronze equestrian statue of General U. S. Grant.

It also desires to express its recognition of your interest through the various administrative departments of the City government in providing such excellent regulations for the safety and comfort of the President of the United States, and other distinguished guests who honored Philadelphia during the last week.

Very respectfully yours,

Charles J. Cohen

Acting Secretary.



May 4th, 1899.

Brigadier General Schall,  
544 City Hall, Phila.

Dear Sir :-

The Board of Trustees, Fairmount Park Art Association desires to extend to you its hearty appreciation for the interest taken by yourself and your associates in the military work incident to the unveiling ceremonies of the bronze equestrian statue of General U. S. Grant, in Fairmount Park, Philadelphia, April 27th, 1899, and also desires to note its thanks for the privilege of using the rooms in City Hall, the Headquarters of the National Guard, which were so eminently fitted for the use of the affiliated Committees in connection with the detail work.

Very respectfully yours,

Charles J. Cohen

Acting Secretary.



May 4th, 1899

Mr. I. A. Sweigard, General Superintendent,  
Philadelphia & Reading Railway Company,  
12th & Market Sts., Phila.

Dear Sir :-

The Board of Trustees, Fairmount Park Art Association desires to extend to you its thanks for and its appreciation of the courtesies extended in the aid given to various organizations interested in the ceremonies incident to the unveiling of the bronze equestrian statue of General U. S. Grant, in Fairmount Park, Philadelphia, April 27th, 1899.

The Board also is grateful for your kindness, as expressed through Hon. A. L. English, Director of Public Safety in restricting the running of trains over the Fountain Green Arches.

Very respectfully yours,

Charles J. Cohen

Acting Secretary.



June 4th, 1899

Mrs. Henry Sanger Snow,

President General, Daughters, A. R.

Brooklyn, New York.

Dear Madam:-

The Board of Trustees, Fairmount Park  
Art Association desires to express to you its  
appreciation of the courtesies shown in the presenta-  
tion of the Wreath on the occasion of the unveiling  
of the bronze equestrian monument of General U. S. Grant,  
in Fairmount Park, Philadelphia, April 27th, 1899.

Very respectfully yours,

Charles J. Cohen

Acting Secretary.



May 4th, 1899

Hon. C. Wesley Thomas,  
Collector of Customs,  
Philadelphia.

Dear Sir :-

The Board of Trustees, Fairmount Park  
Art Association desires to extend to you its sense of  
obligation for courtesies extended in the prompt  
action taken, in regard to the entry of the bronze  
Spanish Cannon, intended for permanent exhibition in  
Fairmount Park, Philadelphia.

As instructed by the Board at its meeting,  
held on the 2nd instant I am requested to convey  
to you its thanks.

Very respect fully yours,

Charles J. Cohen

Acting Secretary.



May 4th, 1899

Western Union Telegraph Co.

10th & Chestnut Sts.

Gentlemen:-

The Board of Trustees, Fairmount Park Art Association desires to extend to you its thanks for and its appreciation of the courtesies extended in the aid given to various organizations interested in the ceremonies incident to the unveiling of the bronze equestrian statue of General U. S. Grant in Fairmount Park, Philadelphia, April 27th, 1899.

Very respectfully yours,

Charles J. Cohen

Acting Secretary.



May 4th, 1899

West Jersey & Seashore Railroad Co.

Market Street Ferry, Phila. Pa.

Gentlemen:-

The Board of Trustees, Fairmount Park Art Association desires to extend to you its thanks for and its appreciation of the courtesies extended in the aid given to various organizations interested in the ceremonies incident to the unveiling of the bronze equestrian statue of General U. S. Grant, in Fairmount Park, Philadelphia, April 27th, 1899.

Very respectfully yours,

Charles J. Cohen

Acting Secretary.



May 4th, 1899

The Undine Barge Club,

Fairmount Park, Philadelphia, Pa.

Gentlemen:-

The Board of Trustees, Fairmount Park Art Association desires to extend to you its thanks for and its appreciation of the courtesies extended in the aid given to various organizations interested in the ceremonies incident to the unveiling of the bronze equestrian statue of General U. S. Grant, in Fairmount Park, Philadelphia, April 27th, 1899.

Very respectfully yours,

Charles J. Cohen

Acting Secretary.



May 4th, 1899

Rev. Frederick Poole,

Christian League of Philadelphia,

827 Race Street,

Dear Sir :-

The Board of Trustees, Fairmount Park Art Association desires to thank you for the honor shown the memory of General Grant in associating your Society with the memorial exercises at the time of the unveiling of the bronze equestrian statue of General U. S. Grant, in Fairmount Park, Philadelphia, April 27th, 1899.

Very respectfully yours,

Charles J. Cohen

Acting Secretary.



May 4th, 1899

Rev. James W. Bond,

Christian League of Philadelphia,

Dear Sir :-

The Board of Trustees, Fairmount Park Art Association, desires to thank you for the honor shown to the memory of General Grant in associating your Society with the memorial exercises at the time of the unveiling of the bronze equestrian statue of General U. S. Grant in Fairmount Park, Philadelphia, April 27th, 1899.

Very respectfully yours,

Charles J. Cohen

Acting Secretary.



May 4th, 1899

Frank Thomson, Esq., President,

Pennsylvania Railroad Company,

Broad Street Station, Philadelphia.

Dear Sir :-

The Board of Trustees, Fairmount Park Art Association desires to convey to the Board of Managers of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company and yourself, its sense of appreciation of the courtesies extended to the President of the United States, and the members of his Cabinet on their recent visit to Philadelphia on the 27th of April.

It is also the desire of the Board to express its appreciation of the same thought that provided so liberally for the comfort and convenience of Mrs. U. S. Grant, her grand-daughter, Miss Sartoris, Captain Sartoris, and the other members of her party.

Every comfort was provided and great pleasure expressed by the recipients of the hospitality, at the success of the arrangements inaugurated and carried out.

Very respectfully yours,

Charles J. Cohen.

Acting Secretary.



May 4th, 1899

Joseph G. Darlington, Esq.  
President and Chairman, House Committee,

Lincoln J. Passmore, Esq.  
Vice President, House Committee,

C. S. Forsyth, Esq.  
Secretary, House Committee,

Union League, Philadelphia.

Gentlemen:-

The Board of Trustees, Fairmount Park Art Association at its first opportunity following the unveiling of the bronze equestrian statue of General U. S. Grant, in Fairmount Park, on the 27th ultimo, desires to note its appreciation of the many acts of courtesy extended to the Association for the number of months, in affording the privileges of the Club House to the members of the Committee on Grant Memorial, for their various meetings.

The Union League has at all times, taken such a prominent position in connection with all important public duties and responsibilities, that the courtesies extended on the present occasion serve but to add another page to its history as a factor in the entertainment of Philadelphia's guests.

Very respectfully yours,  
Charles J. Cohen,

Acting Secretary



May 4th, 1899

Hon. A. Loudon Snowden,

Fairmount Park Commission,

City Hall, Philadelphia.

Dear Sir :-

The Board of Trustees, Fairmount Park Art Association, with its affiliated Committees on Grant Memorial, desires at this time to place on record its appreciation of the address delivered by yourself in receiving, on behalf of the Park Commission, the bronze equestrian statue of General U. S. Grant in Fairmount Park, Philadelphia, on the 27th of April, 1899.

Those few lines of appreciation on the character of the man whom we honored, are distinguished alike for their fine diction and comprehension. The closing words of your address, so fittingly and touchingly portraying Grant in the last days of his life, have appealed to the finer emotions of all those who heard or read them, and will emblazon the history of the Fairmount Park Art Association as a cultivator of Art in Philadelphia.

Very respectfully yours,  
Charles J. Cohen

Acting Secretary.



May 4th, 1899

To his Excellency, Wu Ting Fang,  
Minister Plenipotentiary to the United States,  
Washington, D. C.

Sir :-

The Board of Trustees, Fairmount Park Art Association desires to extend to you its thanks for the graceful courtesy shown on the occasion of the recent unveiling of the bronze equestrian statue of General U. S. Grant, in Fairmount Park, Philadelphia, April 27th, 1899, in the presentation of the wreath indicative of the respect desired to be shown on behalf the Country that you so ably represent, to the memory of General Grant, and for the good will desired to be exhibited to the citizens of this Country.

Very respectfully yours,

Charles J. Cohen

Acting Secretary.



May 4th, 1899

To the Representatives of the Newspapers of  
Philadelphia and Vicinity:

The Board of Trustees, Fairmount Park Art Association and its affiliated Committees on Grant Memorial, desire to note at this time, their deep sense of obligation to the newspapers of Philadelphia and vicinity, for their hearty support of the work and the preparation incident to the unveiling of the bronze equestrian statue of General U. S. Grant in Fairmount Park, Philadelphia, which took place on the 27th of April last, before a distinguished audience, including the President of the United States, the members of his Cabinet, distinguished officers of the Army and Navy, and men equally prominent in civil life.

The Board feels that a great measure of the success of the occasion was due to the careful and intelligent consideration given to the subject in the local journals, which, you may be assured, have been the subject of the Board's appreciation.

Very respectfully yours,

Charles J. Cohen

Acting Secretary.



May 4th, 1899.

Hon. Thomas L. Hicks, Postmaster,  
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir :-

The Board of Trustees, Fairmount Park Art Association desires to express to you its sense of appreciation for the excellent work performed by the post office department in transmitting the many thousand of letters incident to the work of the various Committees connected with the unveiling of the bronze equestrian statue of General U. S. Grant, in Fairmount Park, April 27th, 1899.

Respectfully yours,

Charles J. Cohen

Acting Secretary.



May 4th, 1899

Mrs. Benjamin Thomson,

State Director , Society of the C. A. R.

St. Davids, Penna.

Dear Madam:-

The Board of Trustees Fairmount Park  
Art Association desires to express to you its thanks for  
and its appreciation of the interest shown by yourself  
and by the Society that you represent in the courtesies  
extended on the 27th of April, last, in the loan  
of the valuable Flag used at that time in association  
with the unveiling of the bronze equestrian monument of  
General U. S. Grant, in Fairmount Park, Philadelphia.

Very respectfully yours,

Charles J. Cohen

Acting Secretary.



May 4th, 1899.

Bell Telephone Company,  
11th & Filbert Sts.

Gentlemen:-

The Board of Trustees, Fairmount Park Art Association desires to thank you for the excellent and prompt service rendered to the different offices of the Committees and Sub Committees during the continuance of the work incident to the unveiling of the bronze equestrian statue of General U. S. Grant, in Fairmount Park, Philadelphia, April 27th, 1899.

Through a number of weeks your service was continually in action, and at all times, without exception, most excellent results were obtained.

Respectfully yours,

Charles J. Cohen

Acting Secretary.



May 4th, 1899

Col. Charles H. Howell,  
Chairman, Committee on Ceremonies,  
1523 Walnut Street, Phila.

Dear Sir :-

The Board of Trustees, Fairmount Park Art Association at its meeting held May 2nd, 1899, adopted the following minute:

"That the thanks of the Board of Trustees, Fairmount Park Art Association be tendered to the Committee on Ceremonies, through its Chairman, for the arduous work performed during the many weeks prior to the occasion, and for the success that crowned these efforts on the 27th of April, 1899, at which time the bronze equestrian statue of General U. S. Grant, was unveiled, amidst the imposing ceremonies and before a distinguished gathering, including the President of the United States; the Governor of the State of Pennsylvania; the Mayor of the City of Philadelphia, and an assemblage of notable guests"

Very respectfully yours,  
Charles J. Cohen  
Acting Secretary.



May 4th, 1899

Joel J. Baily, Esq.

Chairman Finance Committee,  
608 Market Street,

Dear Sir :-

The Board of Trustees, Fairmount Park Art Association at its meeting held May 2nd, 1899, adopted the following minute:

"That the thanks of the Board of Trustees, Fairmount Park Art Association be tendered to the Finance Committee through its Chairman, for the arduous work performed during the many weeks prior to the occasion and for the success that crowned these efforts on the 27th of April, 1899, at which time the bronze equestrian statue of General U. S. Grant was unveiled, amidst the imposing ceremonies, and before a distinguished gathering, including the President of the United States; the Governor of the State of Pennsylvania; the Mayor of the City of Philadelphia, and an assemblage of notable guests"

Very respectfully yours,

Charles J. Cohen

Acting Secretary.



May 4th, 1899

Mr. John T. Morris,

Chairman Reception Committee,

326 Drexel Building, Phila.

Dear Sir :-

The Board of Trustees, Fairmount Park Art Association at its meeting held May 2nd, 1899, adopted the following minute:

"That the thanks of the Board of Trustees, Fairmount Park Art Association through its Chairman, for the arduous work performed during the many weeks prior to the occasion and for the success that crowned these efforts on the 27th of April, 1899, at which time the bronze equestrian statue of General U. S. Grant was unveiled, amidst the imposing ceremonies, and before a distinguished gathering, including the President of the United States, the Governor of the State of Pennsylvania; the Mayor of the City of Philadelphia, and an assemblage of notable guests."

Very respectfully yours,

Charles J. Cohen

Acting Secretary .



May 4th, 1899

Col. Theo. E. Wiedersheim,

Chairman, Committee on Military Display,

430 Chestnut Street,

Dear Sir :-

The Board of Trustees, Fairmount Park Art Association at its meeting held May 2nd, 1899, adopted the following minute:

"That the thanks of the Board of Trustees, Fairmount Park Art Association, be tendered to the Committee on Military Display through its Chairman, for the arduous work performed during the many weeks prior to the occasion and for the success that crowned these efforts on the 27th of April, 1899, at which time the bronze equestrian statue of General U. S. Grant was unveiled, amidst the imposing ceremonies, and before a distinguished gathering, including the President of the United States; the Governor of the State of Pennsylvania; the Mayor of the City of Philadelphia, and an assemblage of notable guests."

Very respectfully yours,

Charles J. Cohen

Acting Secretary.



May 4th, 1899

Col. John P. Nicholson,

Chairman, Committee on Invitation,

7th & Walnut Sts. Philada.

Dear Sir :-

The Board of Trustees, Fairmount Park Art Association, at its meeting held May 2nd, 1899, adopted the following minute:

"That the thanks of the Board of Trustees, Fairmount Park Art Association, be tendered to the Committee on Invitation, through its Chairman, for the arduous work performed during the many weeks prior to the occasion, and for the success that crowned these efforts on the 27th of April,, 1899, at which time the bronze equestrian statue of General U. S. Grant was unveiled , amidst the imposing ceremonies, and before a distinguished gathering including the President of the United States; the Governor of the State of Pennsylvania; the Mayor of the City of Philadelphia, and an assemblage of notable guests."

Very respectfully yours,

Charles J. Cohen

Acting Secretary.



May 4th, 1899

Hon. Lyman J. Gage,

Secretary of the Treasury,

Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir :-

The Board of Trustees, Fairmount Park Art Association desires to convey to you its appreciation of the prompt action taken by the Department in permitting free entry of the antique bronze cannon from Santiago, intended for permanent exhibition in Fairmount Park, Philadelphia.

The Courtesies extended to the Association by yourself and your officers, allowing of their arrival in Philadelphia during the past week, are greatly valued.

Very respectfully yours,

Charles J. Cohen

Acting Secretary.



May 4th, 1899

Major Bingham,

Schuylkill Arsenal,

Dear Sir :-

The Board of Trustees, Fairmount Park  
Art Association desires to extend to you its thanks for  
and its appreciation of the courtesies extended in  
the aid given to various organizations interested in  
the ceremonies incident to the unveiling of the  
Bronze Equestrian Statue of General U. S. Grant, in  
Fairmount Park, April 27th, 1899.

Very truly yours,

Charles J. Cohen

Acting Secretary.



May 4th, 1899

Hon. William A. Stone,

Governor of Pennsylvania,

Dear Sir :-

The Board of Trustees, Fairmount Park  
Art Association desires to thank you for the privilege  
extended to its of the presence of yourself and the  
distinguished members of your Staff at the unveiling  
ceremonies of the bronze equestrian statue of General U.  
S. Grant in Fairmount Park Philadelphia, April 27th, 1899.

Your appearance at that time added grace  
and dignity to this notable occasion, and the  
Board feels greatly indebted for your presence.

Very respectfully yours,

Charles J. Cohen

Acting Secretary.



May 4th, 1899

Major General George R. Snowden,  
544 City Hall,

Dear Sir :-

The Board of Trustees, Fairmount Park Art Association desires to extend to you and the officers in your command, its high sense of appreciation of the successful conduct of the parade on the occasion of the unveiling of the bronze equestrian statue of General U. S. Grant in Fairmount Park, Philadelphia, April 27th, 1899.

All matters connected with the display were successfully carried out, and much commendation has been given by the distinguished guests present on that auspicious occasion.

The Board also desires to express its deep sense of indebtedness for courtesies extended in the use of the offices at headquarters in City Hall.

Very respectfully,

Charles J. Cohen

Acting Secretary.



May 4th, 1899

F. I. Grilly, Esq., Special Deputy Collector,  
Custom House, Philadelphia.

Dear Sir :-

I am instructed by the Board of Trustees, Fairmount Park Art Association to convey to you its sense of appreciation for the prompt action taken by yourself in furthering the desire of the Board to obtain, at an early date, the entry of the Spanish cannon, intended for permanent exhibition in Fairmount Park, Philadelphia.

The courtesies extended to the Association are greatly appreciated.

Very respectfully yours,

Charles J. Cohen

Acting Secretary.



MINUTES BOARD OF TRUSTEES, JUNE 8th, 1899:

A special meeting of the Board of Trustees, Fairmount Park Art Association, was held Thursday June 8th, 1899. Present:

John H. Converse, President,

Joel J. Baily,

Wm. W. Justice,

Charles C. Harrison,

Charles J. Cohen.

Mr. Baily took the chair and Mr. Cohen acted as Secretary.

The Chair stated that the meeting had been called to take action on the death of Frank Thomson, Esq. late Vice President of the Association.

Mr. Cohen presented a minute, stating that President Converse and Secretary Howell had both approved of same.

On motion, it was ordered that the minute, as read,



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be adopted and entered on record; that a copy be sent to the family of Mr. Thomson; and that it be published in the daily papers of Philadelphia.

MINUTE

"The Board of Trustees, Fairmount Park Art Association desires to record its sincere and deep regret at the sudden loss of its Vice President,

Frank Thomson, Esq.

who has been identified with the Association for more than twenty years and who has served it as a Vice President since 1897.

Deeply interested in the development of art and of artistic culture in Philadelphia, and in the beautifying of its Park and gardens, Mr. Thomson was thoroughly and unselfishly devoted to the objects for which the Fairmount Park Art Association stands

As a member of the Committee on the Grant Memorial, Mr. Thomson, by his most liberal and intelligent co-operation contributed in no small degree to the success of the ceremonies connected with the unveiling of the bronze equestrian statue of General

Acting Secretary.



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U. S. Grant in Fairmount Park, April 27th, 1899.

The members of the Board of Trustees will miss his genial friendship, his keen insight into the affairs of moment brought to their consideration, and his untiring efforts in all that tended to the welfare of his City. "

John H. Converse,

President.

Charles H. Howell,

Secretary.

On motion it was ordered that the Board attend the funeral of Mr. Thomson, held on this date.

Mr. Morris wrote to say that absence from the City would prevent his attendance and Mr. Warren sent word to the same effect.

Adjourned.

Acting Secretary.



COPY OF LETTER SENT TO BOARD OF TRUSTEES, SEPTEMBER 15th, 1899.

Joel J. Baily, Esq.

608 Market Street,

Philadelphia.

Dear Sir :-

A meeting of the Board of Trustees, Fairmount  
Park Art Association will be held on Thursday next,  
September 21st, 1899 at 4.45 P. M. punctually, at the  
Art Club, 220 South Broad Street.

Your attendance is requested, as matters of  
importance will be submitted for action.

John H. Converse,

President.



MINUTES BOARD OF TRUSTEES, SEPTEMBER 21st, 1899.

A meeting of the Board of Trustees, Fairmount Park Art Association was held Thursday, September 21st, 1899, at the Art Club, at 4.45 P. M. Present:

John H. Converse, President,  
James W. Paul, Jr., Treasurer,  
Henry K. Fox,  
James MacAlister, L. L. D.  
John T. Morris,  
Captain Thomas J. Dolan,  
Westcott Bailey,  
Charles J. Cohen.

Mr. Converse presided and Mr. Cohen acted as Secretary.

The reading of the minutes of the meetings of the Board of Trustees, May 18th and June 8th, was dispensed with. That portion of the minutes of the meeting of the Board, held February 23th, 1899, applying to the satisfaction of mortgages on page five of the minute book was read, and on motion was duly approved.



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the Secretary stated that the proper form had been prepared in accordance with the resolution referred to by the counsellor to the Board, James M. Beck, Esq. had been duly signed by the President, the seal of the Society attached, and had been placed with James W. Paul, Jr. Esq., Treasurer for filing with the Recorder of Deeds.

It having been stated that Mr. Paul desired to present a special matter for consideration of the Board the order of business was changed, and Mr. Paul addressed the meeting, stating that a friend of his, a public spirited citizen, had offered to contribute to the Fairmount Park Art Association as Trustee, the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.) towards a fund for the purpose of erecting a statue to the late Captain John Ericsson, the inventor and builder of the United States ironclad "Monitor which so successfully combated with the Confederate ship "Merrimac" March 9th, 1862, during the war for the Union.



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Mr. Paul further stated that his firm, Messrs. Drexel & Co., Bankers, 5th & Chestnut Sts. would be willing to receive any or all subscriptions. Upon motion of Dr. James MacAlister, it was ordered that the generous gift above named be accepted by the Association as Trustee, and that the appreciation of the Board, of this very generous and public-spirited donation should be entered on record; furthermore, that a special Committee be appointed by the Chair to which should be referred all the papers in connection with the proposed fund and statue, and with authority to prepare a suitable appeal to the members of the community for additional subscriptions, in order that the commission for the statue be awarded without delay; said Committee to report to the Board as soon as their plans had been completed.

Mr. Paul, Treasurer, presented a memorandum of the cash balances to date, September 21st, 1899, as follows:



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|                                                                                | PARK       | CITY       |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|------------|
| General Fund Balances,<br>(City Fund less \$2,000 advances by<br>Drexel & Co.) | \$2,259.25 | \$1,366.99 |
| Permanent Fund balances,                                                       | 34,146.23  | 2,783.61   |
| McClellan Fund, balance,                                                       |            | 981.22     |
| Fountain Fund, balance,                                                        |            | 313.22     |
| Lafayette Fund, Balance,                                                       |            | 117.16     |
| Art Brigade Fund, Balance,                                                     |            | 120.92     |

I also have a check for \$59. from Charles H. Howell for Dickens and Little Nell Fund, of which I do not find any account on the books.

The Lafayette and the Art Brigade Funds seem to be in the General Fund.

Mr. Paul stated that after the close of the current fiscal year, he would suggest the placing of the various funds and accounts of the Association in one bank account; then the opening of a regular cash book, in which all entries should be made of debit and credit in consecutive order as received and



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paid out. From this book postings would be made and entered into a ledger so that the various trust funds and accounts would be kept entirely separate.. Upon motion, the matter was referred to the Finance Committee with power to act.

Messrs. Paul and Fox were excused at 5.30.

The Secretary stated that, at the request of Mr. Paul, a formal bond had been prepared and had been executed by him August 11th, 1899, with Messrs. George C. Thomas and Edward T. Stotesbury as sureties, for the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars as security during his treasurership; the bond had been delivered to Mr. Converse, and had been placed by him for safe deposit in the vaults of the Real Estate Trust Company of Philadelphia.

The following communications were read and ordered to be filed:

E. H. Paris, Room 303 Provident Building,  
Philadelphia, June 20th, 1899, suggesting that the



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Fairmount Park Art Association should interest itself in influencing City Councils to remove the objectionable buildings at the Green Street entrance of Fairmount Park.

Miss Anne Thomson, July 27th, 1899, addressed to Colonel Howell, Secretary, acknowledging receipt of the resolutions adopted by the Board of Trustees in reference to the death of her father, Frank Thomson, Vice-President of the Association.

George A. Baker, Secretary, Northern Indiana Historical Society, South Bend, Indiana, requesting copies of the reports of the Association.

West Chicago Park Commission, Chicago, Illinois, June 29th, and July 14th, requesting and acknowledging receipt of the reports of the Association.

C. N. Weygandt, September 21st, regretting his inability to be present at the meeting of the Board.

A letter was read from Colonel Howell, Secretary of the Association, from Jefferson, New Hampshire, under date of September 2nd, 1899, as follows:



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"Can the Finance Committee devise a plan by which to secure \$25,000. in the next two months for the Park Endowment Fund?"

Upon motion, the matter was referred to the Finance Committee.

Letters were read from Mr. O. W. Bennett, Broker, Drexel Building, offering to sell to the Association for Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.) the Surrender House used by Generals Grant and Lee at Appomattox Court House, Virginia, April 1865. Upon motion, the papers were handed to Mr. John T. Morris, who agreed to visit Mr. Bennett, informally, and make inquiry in reference to the matter.

On motion, it was ordered that all arrangements for the next annual meeting to take place in November, should be referred to the President and Secretaries, with power to act.

Mr. Cohen stated that he had on storage in his warehouse, a number of cases of glass fairy lamps used at the time of the Garfield Celebration. The



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quantity was about 2000, and their cost was ten cents each. Every effort has been made to dispose of them but up to the present time, without success; that finally an offer had been received from the Consolidated Fireworks Company of America, at the price of Fifteen Dollars (\$15.00) per thousand, delivered in New York. Mr. Cohen stated that owing to improper packing before they came into his possession, very many of them were broken, and he was in doubt as to whether any considerable number of them were in perfect order; he further stated that he had addressed Miss Pendleton, Chairman Entertainment Committee, who had charge of the Garfield Celebration, but as yet had received no reply. On motion, it was ordered that Mr. Cohen be empowered to dispose of the lamps to the best advantage, and to use his judgment in connection with the matter.

The Secretary stated that a very interesting article had appeared in Harper's Weekly, of date July 2nd, communicated by C. H. Caffin, in which mention



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had been made that the Fairmount Park Art Association took the first step in this country toward the encouragement of municipal art in park decorations.

On motion, adjourned 5.55 P. M.

*Charles Cohen*

Acting Secretary.



September 25th, 1899.

James W. Paul, Jr., Esq., Treasurer,  
Drexel Building,  
Philadelphia.

Dear Sir :-

I have the honor to report that the following proposition made by you to a meeting of the Board of Trustees of this Association, held on the 21st instant, was duly entertained: That a statue of the late Captain John Ericsson should be erected in Fairmount Park, Philadelphia, and that a personal friend of yours (who desired his name to be unknown) had expressed his intention of contributing Five Thousand Dollars toward a fund for that purpose. The Board recognized the great generosity shown by your friend's offer, and immediately adopted resolutions expressing their very hearty appreciation of the gift tendered, and stating the intention of placing the matter before the community at once.

To that end, the Board adopted resolutions authorizing the appointment by the President of a Committee to take up the subject and instructed me to convey through you to the unknown donor, its sentiments of keen appreciation of the loyalty and generosity he has displayed.

The Board of Trustees feels that this act is a recognition of its earnest endeavors, not only to beautify the great pleasure



James W. Paul, Jr., Esq.

ground of the people, but to commemorate in lasting bronze the lives of great Americans and their services to their country.

The Board of Trustees for the Fairmount Park Art Association with a full knowledge of the importance and value of the Trust laid upon it, will do all in its power to collect the entire sum necessary to erect the statue, and will endeavor, in the completed work, to establish a lasting memorial to the character, life and services of Captain Ericsson.

Very respectfully,

(Signed)

Charles J. Cohen,

Acting Secretary.



COPY OF LETTER SENT TO BOARD OF TRUSTEES

December 26th, 1899.

Joel J . Bailly, Esq.,

608 Market Street,

Dear Sir :-

A meeting of the Board of Trustees, Fairmount  
Park Art Association will be held at the Art Club,  
220 South Broad Street, Thursday, December 28th, at  
4.30 precisely, to receive and act upon the annual report,  
and to consider various matters that will be presented.

John H. Converse,

President.



## MINUTES MEETING BOARD OF TRUSTEES

December 28th, 1899.

A meeting of the Board of Trustees, Fairmount Park Art Association was held at the Art Club, 220 South Broad Street, Philadelphia, December 28th, 1899 at 4.30 P. M. Present, Messrs:

John H. Converse, President  
Joel J. Baily,  
E. Burgess Warren  
L. W. Miller,  
C. N. Weygandt,  
Captain Thomas J. Dolan,  
William W. Justice,  
Westcott Bailey,  
Charles J. Cohen.

Mr. Converse presided and Mr. Cohen acted as Secretary.

The minutes of the last meeting of the Board, September 21st, 1899, were read, and on motion, approved.

The following communications were presented and read, and action taken upon them as noted herewith.

C. E. Dallin of Boston, dated November 14th, addressed to Colonel Howell, offering his bronze statue of "The Medicine Man" for the sum of Six Thousand Dollars (\$6,000.00) Referred to the Committee on Works of Art



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Mildred Carter, dated September 29th, 1899, offering to give a Dickens entertainment. Laid on the table.

Colonel Charles H. Howell, dated November 17th, 1899, tendering his resignation as Secretary of the Association. The resignation was accepted, and the Acting Secretary instructed to prepare resolutions to be presented to Colonel Howell, expressing the deep regret felt by the Board at the necessity for his resignation and desiring to note the great indebtedness of the Board and its affiliated committees for the services rendered by Colonel Howell during a long series of years. The Acting Secretary was instructed to make a record on the minutes of such resolution, and to have the same presented to Colonel Howell in due form.

Torresdale, Philadelphia,  
November 18, 1899.

John H. Converse, Esq., President  
Fairmount Park Art Association.

My dear Sir :-

I regret extremely that I have not recovered sufficiently to perform the duties of Secretary of the Association, and reluctantly ask the acceptance of my resignation.

Permit me to thank you and the other officers and Trustees for the uniform courtesy and consideration received.

With great respect, I am,

Yours very truly,

(Signed.)

Charles H. Howell.



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The Board of Trustees, at its stated meeting, held December 28th, 1899, adopted the following resolution:

RESOLVED, That since Colonel Charles H. Howell has found it necessary to tender his resignation as Secretary of this Association, the Board of Trustees, in regretfully accepting the same, desires, in connection therewith, to note its great indebtedness to Colonel Howell for the many responsibilities that he has assumed, and the duties he has so successfully accomplished for a long series of years.

Not only was Colonel Howell the originator and founder of the Society, but through a long period of weal and woe, he has steadfastly stood by its interests, and has sacrificed much of his time for the benefit of this Association.

Words cannot fully express the Board's appreciation of Colonel Howell's services, yet it feels that this opportunity should not be passed without emphasizing, in a fitting and enduring manner, the ideas and feelings that have prevailed.

The Board also wishes to express its earnest hope that Colonel Howell's health will, in the near future, permit him to join in the counsels of the Executive Board, and to give it the benefit of his valuable judgment and experience.



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Mr. William W. Justice, dated December 14th, 1899; tendering his resignation as Second Vice President of the Association. It was accepted, and the Acting Secretary instructed to convey to Mr. Justice, the Board's appreciation of the very valuable services rendered by him.

Germantown, Dec. 14th, 1899.

John H. Converse, Esq., President,

Fairmount Park Art Association.

Dear Sir :-

You will please accept my resignation as Vice President of the Association; my plans for the future prevent my holding the position.

Yours truly,

(Signed)

Wm. W. Justice.

Barr Ferree, Secretary of the National Sculpture Society of New York City, offering to the Association the privilege of subscribing to a Year Book of that Society, published in New York, at the special price of fifty cents per copy. Laid on the table.

Miss Pendleton, dated November 19th, 1899, tendering her resignation as Chairman of the Entertainment Committee, and the reply of the Acting Secretary thereto dated November 27th, 1899



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This action was confirmed, and the correspondence ordered to be entered on the Minutes.

November 19th, 1899  
Biltmore House, Biltmore, N. C.

Mr. Cohen,

Dear Sir :-

My absence makes it impossible for me to assume the duties of the reception you suggest, and, on account of my prolonged absence, I herewith tender to the Board of the Fairmount Park Art Association, my resignation as Chairman of its Reception Committee. The work is so interesting, and my collaborators so congenial, that I relinquish this office with sincere regret.

Yours very truly,

(Signed) Charlotte Pendleton.

November 27th, 1899

Miss Pendleton,  
Biltmore House,  
Biltmore, North Carolina.

Dear Madam:-

Your note of the 19th has been duly received, and President Converse desires me to acknowledge its receipt. In accepting your resignation as Chairman of the Reception Committee, Fairmount Park Art Association, will you allow



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me to express great regret that you have found it necessary to give up the position, thus depriving the Association of your valuable advice and assistance.

It is hoped that, at some future time, on your return to Philadelphia, it may be your desire to resume your active interest in the work.

On behalf of the Board of Trustees, I desire to express my appreciation of the work you have already accomplished, and of the invaluable aid you have given the Association in recent years.

Very truly yours,

(Signed)

Charles J. Cohen,

Acting Secretary.

Colonel Howell, dated December 27th, 1899, regretting his inability to be present at the meeting.

An invitation was received from the officers of the International Congress of Art, requesting the Fairmount Park Art Association to send delegates to the next meeting to take place in Paris, France, July-August, 1900.

The Acting Secretary gave the following summary of the expenditure made by the Association during the last fiscal year:



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|                                                                        |              |                |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|----------------|
| Messenger service, etc.,                                               | \$           | 20.19          |
| Postage stamps, etc., including mailing<br>annual report,              |              | 266.19         |
| Expense of bringing Cannon to Phila.                                   | \$147.63     |                |
| Exhibition of Cannon,                                                  | <u>82.05</u> | 229.68         |
| Howe Addressing Co., Clerical work,                                    |              | 58.65          |
| Advertising, -Resolutions Frank Thomson's<br>death and annual meeting. |              | 131.98         |
| Typewriting,                                                           |              | 6.00           |
| Printing and Stationery, including annual report,                      |              | 554.22         |
| Salaries:                                                              |              |                |
| Merning, Solicitor,                                                    | \$168.00     |                |
| McIntire, account books,                                               | 120.00       |                |
| Collector,                                                             | 141.90       |                |
| Treasurer's Clerk,                                                     | <u>70.50</u> | 500.40         |
| Insurance on Plaster Casts at Bureau Bros.                             |              | 29.70          |
| Smith Memorial Committee,                                              |              | <u>72.76</u>   |
| Total                                                                  |              | \$1,869.77     |
| <br>Bronze Cannon, purchase,                                           |              | <br>\$2,741.00 |
| "Dickens and Little Nell" final payment<br>to F. Edwin Elwell,         |              | 2,000.00       |



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The Chair stated that a vacancy occurred in the office of Secretary, and, on motion of Mr. Justice, Charles J. Cohen was nominated as Secretary. Mr. Cohen expressed very great regret at his inability to accept the nomination. After some further discussion, Mr. Justice withdrew his nomination.

The Acting Secretary stated that on account of Mr. Carson's acceptance of the position of Orator on the occasion of the Grant Unveiling Ceremonies, it would be desirable to recognize Mr. Carson's services, and, on motion of Mr. Warren, the following resolution was unanimously adopted, and the Acting Secretary instructed to present the same in due course to Mr. Carson:

"The Board of Trustees, Fairmount Park Art Association recognizing the marked ability displayed by Hampton L. Carson, Esq., in his address before the President of the United States and a distinguished assemblage on the occasion of the closing ceremonies incident to the unveiling of the bronze equestrian statue of General Ulysses S. Grant, at the American Academy of Music, April 27th, 1899; and desiring on behalf of the Association to express to Mr. Carson its appreciation of a generous act which has brought great honor and dignity upon the Association, and upon its guests by such an enthusiastic and able oration upon the career of General Grant, the Board has decided to place the name of Hampton L. Carson, Esq., upon the list of Honorary Members of the Association.



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Mr. L. W. Miller, Chairman of the Committee on Works of Art reported that the two Antique Spanish Bronze Cannon and Mortar, acquired by the Association last spring, had been mounted, temporarily, on wooden carriages, especially prepared for the purpose, and had been placed, with the consent of the Park Commission, on the West side of Belmont Drive, adjoining the Columbus statue.

The question of their permanent disposition, and of providing permanent carriages in stone was, on motion, referred to the Committee on Works of Art with the suggestion that designs and estimates for the same be obtained by them and presented in due course to the incoming Board of Trustees. Mr. Miller also stated that the bronze group of "Dickens and Little Nell" (belonging to the City Branch of the Association) had been removed from the Bronze Foundry to the building at 1326 Chestnut Street, at the time of the exhibition of the cannon, and after the close of the exhibition, had been placed within the grounds of the School of Industrial Art, Broad and Pine Streets.

On motion of Mr. Justice, seconded by Mr. Warren, the action of the Chairman of the Committee on Works of Art



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was approved, and an expression of thanks ordered to be recorded and conveyed to Mr. Miller for the success of the exhibition and for the responsibility assumed in taking charge of the group above referred to. The question of its permanent disposition, and the obtaining of estimates for the construction of the pedestal were referred to the Committee on Works of Art, with a request that report be made to the incoming Board

The annual report of the Board of Trustees to the Association was read by the Acting Secretary and was freely commented upon by those present: After amendments had been made, the report was adopted, with instructions to present the same at the annual meeting.

The Acting Secretary stated that owing to Mr. John T. Morris's intended absence in Europe, he would be unable to serve on the Auditing Committee, and that the President had appointed Mr. William W. Justice in his stead.

The Acting Secretary presented the annual report of the Treasurer, James W. Paul, Jr., Esq., with the endorsement of the Auditing Committee duly noted. Upon motion, it was ordered that the same be entered upon the minutes and presented at the annual meeting.



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## FAIRMOUNT PARK ART ASSOCIATION

Report of James W. Paul, Jr., Treasurer,

To October 31st, 1899 .

.....  
GENERAL FUND (PARK)

Dr.

|                                                                   |            |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|
| Balance, October 31st, 1898.                                      | \$2,367.43 |
| Dues from Members (exclusive of 10% thereof<br>to Permanent Fund, | 2,553.78   |
| Interest,                                                         | 24.80      |
| Loan returned by General Fund City,                               | 1,100.00   |
|                                                                   | <hr/>      |
|                                                                   | \$6,046.01 |

Cr.

|                |            |
|----------------|------------|
| Warrants paid, | \$3,402.96 |
| Cash in Bank,  | 2,643.05   |
|                | <hr/>      |
|                | \$6,046.01 |



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## GENERAL FUND (CITY)

Dr.

|                                                                   |  |            |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------|--|------------|
| Balance, October 31st, 1898,                                      |  | \$720.37   |
| Dues from Members (Exclusive of 10% thereof<br>to Permanent Fund) |  | 833.63     |
| Interest,                                                         |  | 9.64       |
|                                                                   |  | <hr/>      |
|                                                                   |  | \$1,563.64 |

Cr.

|                                          |            |            |
|------------------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Warrants paid,                           | \$137.01   |            |
| Return of Loan to General Fund<br>(Park) | \$1,100.00 |            |
| Cash in Bank,                            | 276.63     |            |
|                                          | <hr/>      | \$1,563.64 |



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## PERMANENT FUND (PARK)

Dr.

|                              |          |             |
|------------------------------|----------|-------------|
| Balance, October 31st, 1898. |          | \$9,852.00  |
| Life Memberships,            | \$480.00 |             |
| 10% of other receipts,       | 280.70   |             |
| Perpetual Memberships,       |          |             |
| Col. William L. Elkins,      | 500.00   |             |
| Mrs. William L. Elkins,      | 500.00   |             |
| Charles C. Harrison, L.L. D. | 500.00   |             |
| # Hon. Edwin H. Fittler,     | 500.00   |             |
|                              | <hr/>    | \$2,760.70  |
| Mortgages Paid off,          |          | 18,000.00   |
| Interest on Mortgages,       |          | 4,079.33    |
|                              |          | <hr/>       |
|                              |          | \$34,692.03 |

Cr.

|                |             |             |
|----------------|-------------|-------------|
| Cash in Bank,  | \$34,662.18 |             |
| Warrants paid, | 29.85       |             |
|                | <hr/>       | \$34,692.03 |

# In Memoriam.



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## PERMANENT FUND (CITY)

Dr.

|                                             |            |
|---------------------------------------------|------------|
| Balance, October 31st, 1898,                | \$3,407.51 |
| Life Memberships and 10% of other receipts, | 261.10     |
| Interest on Investments,                    | 135.97     |
|                                             | <hr/>      |
|                                             | \$3,804.58 |

Cr.

|                |            |
|----------------|------------|
| Cash in Bank,  | \$2,799.58 |
| Warrants paid, | 1,005.00   |
|                | <hr/>      |
|                | \$3,804.58 |



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## MC CLELLAN MEMORIAL FUND

Dr.

|                                         |            |
|-----------------------------------------|------------|
| Balance, uninvested October 31st, 1898, | \$ 981.22  |
| Interest,                               | 19.71      |
|                                         | <hr/>      |
|                                         | \$1,000.93 |

Cr.

|               |            |
|---------------|------------|
| Cash in Bank, | \$1,000.93 |
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## GARFIELD MEMORIAL FUND.

Dr.

|                               |          |
|-------------------------------|----------|
| Balance , October 31st, 1898, | \$ 56.25 |
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|                                |          |
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| Transferred to Permanent Fund, | \$ 56.25 |
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## LAFAYETTE MEMORIAL FUND

Dr.

|                                        |          |
|----------------------------------------|----------|
| Balance uninvested, October 31st, 1898 | \$117.16 |
| Interest                               | 2.34     |
|                                        | <hr/>    |
|                                        | \$119.50 |

Cr.

|               |          |
|---------------|----------|
| Cash in Bank, | \$119.50 |
|---------------|----------|

## FOUNTAIN FUND

Dr.

|                                        |          |
|----------------------------------------|----------|
| Balance Uninvested, October 31st, 1898 | \$313.22 |
| Interest,                              | 6.26     |
|                                        | <hr/>    |
|                                        | \$319.48 |

Cr.

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|---------------|----------|
| Cash in Bank, | \$319.48 |
|---------------|----------|

## CHILDRENS ART BRIGADE.

Dr.

|                                        |          |
|----------------------------------------|----------|
| Balance uninvested, October 31st, 1898 | \$103.17 |
| Interest,                              | 2.06     |
|                                        | <hr/>    |
|                                        | \$105.23 |

Cr.

|               |          |
|---------------|----------|
| Cash in Bank, | \$105.23 |
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INVESTMENTS  
FAIRMOUNT PARK ART ASSOCIATION.  
PERMANENT FUND (Park)

First Mortgages as follows:

|                                                                                            |                 |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|
| Philadelphia Cycle & Field Club,                                                           | \$7,000.00      |
| C. J. Cartun,                                                                              | 3,000.00        |
| Henry Bell,                                                                                | 5,000.00        |
| Joseph C. Fischer (Part)                                                                   | 1,500.00        |
| Frederick V. Little (A. Bamber Legacy)                                                     | 6,000.00        |
| Solomon Haas,                                                                              | 5,000.00        |
| Emanuel Nunes,                                                                             | 9,000.00        |
| Hoben & Doyle,                                                                             | 4,500.00        |
| 5% Coupon Bond #2902, Kansas City, Pitts. &<br>Gulf Ry. Co., Coupons April & October (par) | 1,000.00        |
|                                                                                            | <hr/> 42,000.00 |

PERMANENT FUND (CITY)

|                           |                  |
|---------------------------|------------------|
| Joseph C. Fischer, (Part) | 1,000.00         |
| Hare Estate,              | 1,000.00         |
|                           | <hr/> \$2,000.00 |

CASH IN BANK.

|                         |        |                 |
|-------------------------|--------|-----------------|
| General Fund            | (Park) | \$2,643.05      |
| " "                     | (City) | 276.63          |
| Permanent Fund          | (Park) | 34,662.18       |
| " "                     | (City) | 2,799.58        |
| McClellan Fund,         |        | 1,000.93        |
| Lafayette Fund,         |        | 119.50          |
| Fountain Fund,          |        | 319.48          |
| Children's Art Brigade, |        | 105.23          |
|                         |        | <hr/> 41,926.58 |

(Signed)

James W. Paul, Jr.  
Treasurer.

Examined, Audited and found correct,

(Signed)

Charles J. Cohen,  
William W. Justice,

Auditing Committee.



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Mr. Justice made several suggestions in connection with the desirability of completing the Permanent Fund, laying special stress on the fact that its completion at an early date would serve as a mark of distinguished honor to the originator of the Association, Colonel Howell, to whom such action would be most grateful.

On motion, Mr. L. W. Miller was nominated and unanimously elected as Secretary of the Association, to fill the vacancy made by Colonel Howell's resignation. On motion, a special Committee was appointed, consisting of Mr. Converse, Mr. Warren, and Mr. Justice, to wait upon Mr. Miller, at an early date to inform him of his election and to urge his acceptance of the same.

Mr. E. Burgess Warren was excused at 5.30, and Mr. Joel J. Baily and Mr. Miller at 6.25.

On motion, the meeting adjourned at 6.40 P. M.

*Charles Cohen*

Acting Secretary.