

Monthly Minutes of the Mutual Improvement Association

1857 – 1907

Sandy Spring, Maryland

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Abstract

The Mutual Improvement Association is a group of women who have been meeting continuously since 1857 in Sandy Spring, Maryland. There is a strong chance that they are the oldest women's group in the United States that has been meeting continuously. The group meets once a month, rotating houses for every meeting. Each gathering consists of a meal followed by a meeting. The mission is to improve the mind of themselves and those around them by sharing information. In the beginning, the information focused on ways to improve home and family life. As the times changed, the group began to share and discuss topics such as current events, social justice, prominent people, and the evolving world. In general, the group avoids controversial subjects, such as politics, religion, and sex. The topics discussed are widely varied and very diverse.

History

The first meeting of the Mutual Improvement Association was held on May 1, 1857 at Sherwood, the home of B. Rush Roberts and Mary L. Roberts. At this first gathering, a group of nine women formed a club with regulations that fit with their goal to promote "their own and each other's improvement."¹ They decided on when, where, what time, and how the meetings would be run. Their mission was "that we shall offer for the benefit of the Association such information as we may have obtained – by experience or otherwise – in any way calculated to elevate the mind, increase the happiness, lighten the labor, or add to the comfort of one another, or our families and neighbors."² During the first fifty years, the meetings were held the last Thursday of every month in the mid-afternoon (around lunch in the winter). Members were encouraged to ask questions or give advice related to the home and family, to read short literary selections (e.g. stories, articles, essays, sermons), to share letters and stories, and to present topics for discussion.

Since there were no comparable clubs for women at the time to serve as a model, the Association was organized and conducted as a Quaker business meeting in that there were no officers (except for the secretary) and each member was invited to share at each meeting, thus giving every person an equal voice. An article written on Sandy Spring rural life and clubs in *The Country Gentleman* in August 1913 attributes the longevity of the Association and other similar organizations in Sandy Spring to the Quaker influence on the way the group conducted itself. By having only one officer and rotating who hosts the meetings, a feeling of cooperation as well as a feeling of individual responsibility fulfilled the members.³

Over the first one-hundred years, 118 women were members of the Association.⁴ In addition to the regular members, guests were often included in the meetings, with numbers ranging from one to twenty per meeting. In a miscellaneous newspaper article published about the fiftieth "Golden"

¹ "Record of first gathering and first regular meeting." Mutual Improvement Association, Vertical File, Sandy Spring Museum Library.

² May 1, 1857, Volume 1, page 2, Mutual Improvement Association Minutes, 1857-2009, Sandy Spring Museum, Sandy Spring, Maryland.

³ Smith, J. Russell, "A Community of Clubs: Where Folks Get Together and Laugh at Loneliness," *The Country Gentleman*, August 9, 1913, pages 1162-1163, Mutual Improvement Association, Vertical File, Sandy Spring Museum Library.

⁴ Waleski, Dorothy, "Hits for Mrs." *Sentinel*, June 6, 1957. Page 3, 6, Mutual Improvement Association, Vertical File, Sandy Spring Museum Library.

anniversary in 1907, they stated that it was estimated that “three thousand women” attended the Association meetings from “nearly all the states and several foreign countries” and “numerous other clubs of women have been formed in consequence.”⁵ A number of guests would attend the meetings and then return to a later meeting with a report that they had been inspired to form a similar club in their hometowns.

In the beginning years, the members talked about handwork, making soap, dye, and other household goods and solutions, as well as growing, preserving, and cooking food. While the group was never explicitly an aid society, they often spoke about different philanthropic institutions and undertook charity work during meetings or special organized events, such as sewing garments and providing aid to wounded soldiers on both sides during the Civil War, to orphan asylums in the city, to victims of natural disasters, to Indians out west, and to other such missions. As the years progressed, the contributions grew more literary in nature, often focusing on topics about prominent people, education, travel and foreign cultures, faith, health, current events, family and childrearing, and self-improvement. Poetry and other literary prose were often read or recited, with some of the favorites being Whittier, Ella Wheeler Wilcox, and Longfellow. The group in general promoted optimism, with an emphasis placed on cultivating happiness, cheerfulness, courage, and benevolence to create happier homes and communities. They believed that little things led to great things, a sentiment often expressed throughout the first fifty years. The group discussed issues related to women’s rights (e.g. equal pay, equal work, right to vote), the temperance movement, child labor, education reform, war, and other topics related to social justice.

The group claims to be the oldest continuously meeting women’s group in the country. According to an article in the *Sentinel* from June 1957, in the one-hundred years that the club had been meeting, only thirty-two meetings were missed, six of those caused by gas rationing during World War II.⁶ Other meetings missed were due to the death of a member or a beloved community member, to illness in the family of the hostess of the month, or to weather that prevented travelling.

Scope and Content

The collection of Association minutes consists of eight volumes of minutes ranging from 1857-1907. This finding aid covers the first fifty years of the minutes. For each year of the minutes, there is a list of topics discussed at the meeting, as well as a table with the homes where the meetings took place, the members who attending the meetings that year, and the guests who attended the meetings that year. The types of communications shared at the meetings included, but were not limited to letters, recitations, recipes, sermons, lectures, songs, poems, essays, articles, lectures, advice, and questions.

⁵ “Golden Anniversary: The Association Commemorates Notable Event at Norwood – Exercises and Reminiscences of Marked Interest,” Unknown newspaper article, Mutual Improvement Association, Vertical File, Sandy Spring Museum Library.

⁶ Waleski, Dorothy, “Hits for Mrs.” *Sentinel*, June 6, 1957. Page 3, 6, Mutual Improvement Association, Vertical File, Sandy Spring Museum Library.

Arrangement

The minutes of the Mutual Improvement Association are arranged by volume:

Volume I. May 1, 1857 – December 27, 1866 (2004.0018.0001)

Volume II. January 31, 1867 – December 23, 1875 (2004.0018.0002)

Volume III. January 27, 1876 – September 20, 1883 (2004.0018.0003)

Volume IV. October 18, 1883 – December 26, 1888. (2004.0018.0004)

Volume V. January 31, 1889 – February 27, 1896. (2004.0018.0005)

Volume VI. March 27, 1896 – February 22, 1900. (2004.0018.0006)

Volume VII. March 29, 1900 – May 4, 1905. (2004.0018.0007)

Volume VIII. May 25, 1905 – December 31, 1909 (2004.0018.0008)

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Collection Inventory

Volume 1 - 2004.0018.0001

This volume contains the monthly minutes from May 1, 1857 to December 27, 1866. One-hundred and one meetings were recorded.

1857 (pages 1-22): The minutes of 1857 span from May 1, 1857 to November 26, 1857. The first meeting lays out the regulations for the group as well as discussions on the name, number of members, meeting times, and expectations. Topics discussed at the first meeting and the following meetings included:

- charity and philanthropy,
- female employment,
- food preparation and recipes,
- food preservation,
- gardening/agriculture/animal husbandry,
- health and exercise,
- housekeeping tips and customs,
- motherhood/child rearing/family life,
- other social clubs,
- self-improvement (e.g. use time well, be happy), and
- traveling.

<i>Homes</i>	<i>Members</i>	<i>Guests</i>
Sherwood (Mary L. Roberts)	Beulah I. Lea	Anna Wilson
Ashland (Lydia G. Thomas)	Deborah A. Lea	Anna E. Hartshorne
Cedar Lawn (Margaret Farquhar)	Edith D. Bentley	Aunt of R.E. Gilpin
Bloomfield (Edith D. Bentley)	Hadasseh J. Moore	Elizabeth G. Iddings
Mount Airy (Sally Ann Gilpin)	Lydia G. Thomas	Helen M. Trump
Brierly (Rachel E. Gilpin)	Margaret Farquhar	
Springdale (Deborah A. Lea)	Mary L. Roberts	
	Mary M. Miller	
	Rachel E. Gilpin	
	Sally Ann Gilpin	
	Sophia Peirce	

1858 (pages 23-47): The minutes of 1858 span from February 28, 1858 to November 25, 1858. Topics discussed at the meetings included:

- charity,
- death,
- domestic place/events/customs (e.g. Mount Washington),
- education,
- faith,
- food preparation and recipes,
- food preservation,
- foreign places/events/customs (e.g. emancipation of Russian serfs),
- gardening/agriculture/animal husbandry,
- health and exercise,
- housekeeping tips and customs,
- managing servants,
- motherhood/child rearing/family life,
- nature,
- other religious faiths,
- prominent people (e.g. Madame Guyon, Dudley A. Tyng, James Simpson, Dr. Elizabeth Blackwell, Pope Pius IV, Dorothea Dix),
- Quakerism,
- self-improvement (e.g. rising above trials, love for others, cheerfulness, early rising), and
- womanhood.

<i>Homes</i>	<i>Members</i>	<i>Guests</i>
Lea's Mill (Beulah I. Lea)	Anna E. Hartshorne	Anne Pierce
Black Meadows (Sophia E. Peirce)	Beulah I. Lea	Caroline Hummer
Plainfield (Hadasseh J. Moore)	Deborah A. Lea	E. Thomas
Sherwood (Mary L. Roberts)	Edith D. Bentley	E.J. Brooke
Ashland (Lydia G. Thomas)	Hadasseh J. Moore	Eliza Smyth
Leawood (Anna E. Hartshorne)	Lydia G. Thomas	J. Porter
Bloomfield (Edith D. Bentley)	Margaret Farquhar	Loniza Painter
Cedar Lawn (Margaret Farquhar)	Mary L. Roberts	M. Hartshorne
Brierly (Rachel E. Gilpin)	Rachel E. Gilpin	M.E. Sandidge
	Sally Ann Gilpin	Marcella Sullivan
	Sophia E. Peirce	Sarah B. Stabler
		Sarah E. Stabler

1859 (pages 48-77): The minutes of 1859 span from January 27, 1859 to November 24, 1859. Topics discussed at the meetings included:

- charity and philanthropy,
- colored people,⁷
- education of women,
- faith and morals,
- food preparation and recipes,
- food preservation,
- foreign places/events/customs (e.g. Deaf and Dumb School in Paris),
- gardening/agriculture/animal husbandry,
- hand work,
- health and exercise,
- housekeeping tips and customs,
- motherhood/child rearing/family life,
- nature,
- old age,
- other social clubs,
- prominent people (e.g. Joseph Sturge, Stephen Grelet),
- science,
- self-improvement (e.g. make use of privileges, thankfulness, happiness, being humble, bashfulness),
- technology/manufacturing/industry,
- traveling (e.g. Scotland), and
- womanhood.

<i>Homes</i>	<i>Members</i>	<i>Guests</i>
Leawood (Anna E. Hartshorne)	Anna E. Hartshorne	E. Lea
Springdale (Deborah A. Lea)	Beulah I. Lea	H. Hughes
Plainfield (Hadasseh J. Moore)	Deborah A. Lea	Hannah Smith
Lea's Mill (Beulah I. Lea)	Elizabeth G. Thomas	Rachel Smith
Black Meadows (Sophia E. Peirce)	Hadasseh J. Moore	Sarah E. Stabler
White Cottage (Jane Porter)	Jane Porter	Samantha Richards
Ashland (Lydia G. Thomas)	Lydia G. Thomas	Virginia Moore
Sherwood (Mary L. Roberts)	Margaret Farquhar	
Cherry Grove (Elizabeth G. Thomas)	Mary L. Roberts	
Cedar Lawn (Margaret Farquhar)	Rachel E. Gilpin	
	Sally Ann Gilpin	
	Sarah E. Stabler	
	Sophia E. Peirce	

⁷ This term was used in the minutes and thus is reproduced in the finding aid.

1860 (pages 78-102): The minutes of 1860 span from January 26, 1860 to November 29, 1860. Topics discussed at the meetings included:

- education,
- faith,
- food preparation and recipes,
- food preservation,
- foreign places/events/customs (e.g. habits of English women),
- gardening/agriculture/animal husbandry,
- handwork,
- health,
- housekeeping tips and customs,
- managing servants,
- motherhood/child rearing/family life,
- old age,
- other social clubs,
- science,
- self-improvement (e.g. happiness, cultivating beauty, value of the present, benevolence, procrastination),
- women’s rights, and
- womanhood.

<i>Homes</i>	<i>Members</i>	<i>Guests</i>
Bloomfield (Edith D. Bentley)	Anna E. Hartshorne	Ann Brown
Avalon (Rachel E. Gilpin)	Beulah I. Lea	Ann R. Marshall
Mount Airy (Sally Ann Gilpin)	Deborah A. Lea	Anna Wilson
Leawood (Anna E. Hartshorne)	Edith D. Bentley	Annie Marshall
White Cottage (Jane Porter)	Elizabeth G. Thomas	Caroline B. Scott
Plainfield (Hadasseh J. Moore)	Hadasseh J. Moore	Eliza Bentley
Lea’s Mill (Beulah I. Lea)	Jane Porter	Elizabeth Kirk
Poplar Lodge (Sophia E. Peirce)	Lydia G. Thomas	Helen Trump
Sherwood (Mary L. Roberts)	Margaret Farquhar	Louise Thomas
Ashland (Lydia G. Thomas)	Mary L. Roberts	Margaret J. Hallowell
Prospect Hill (Sarah H. Stone)	Rachel E. Gilpin	Mary A. Reese
	Sally Ann Gilpin	Mary B. Brown
	Sarah H. Stone	Matilda Gilpin
	Sophia E. Peirce	Rebecca Thomas
		Samantha Richards

1861 (pages 103-123): The minutes of 1861 span from January 31, 1861 to November 21, 1861. Topics discussed at the meetings included:

- charity and philanthropy (e.g. sewing for hospitals),
- death,
- education of women,
- faith,
- food preparation and recipes,
- food preservation,
- foreign places/events/customs (e.g. Russian emancipation, German way of managing flowers),
- gardening/agriculture/animal husbandry,
- handwork,
- health and exercise,
- housekeeping tips and customs,
- managing servants,
- motherhood/child rearing/family life,
- science,
- self-improvement (e.g. social intercourse, pride, rebuke of bigotry and intolerance, happiness, support of goodness and love to all), and
- womanhood.

<i>Homes</i>	<i>Members</i>	<i>Guests</i>
Cherry Grove (Elizabeth G. Thomas)	Anna E. Hartshorne	Elizabeth Needles
Bloomfield (Edith D. Bentley)	Sarah H. Stone	Harriet Kirk
Cedar Lawn (Margaret Farquhar)	Jane Porter	Mary Hanson
A. Gilpin's	Elizabeth G. Thomas	Mary Needles
Leawood (Anna E. Hartshorne)	Mary M. Miller	Mary Willis Kirk
Springdale (Deborah A. Lea)	Jane H. Schofield	Phebe Farquhar
Lea's Mill (Beulah I. Lea)	Rebecca M. Thomas	Samantha Richards
Poplar Lodge (Sophia E. Peirce)	Hadasseh J. Moore	
White Cottage	Deborah A. Lea	
Plainfield (Hadasseh J. Moore)	Edith D. Bentley	
	Beulah I. Lea	
	Mary L. Roberts	
	Lydia G. Thomas	
	Sophia E. Peirce	
	Rachel E. Gilpin	
	Margaret Farquhar	
	Sally Ann Gilpin	

1862 (pages 124-149): The minutes of 1862 span from January 16, 1862 to December 18, 1862. Topics discussed at the meetings included:

- charity and philanthropy (e.g. sewing for wounded in Baltimore on both sides)
- death,
- education of women,
- faith,
- fashion,
- food preparation and recipes,
- food preservation,
- foreign places/events/customs (e.g. “Hairs Fairs” in France, infanticide in East Indian Islands),
- friendship,
- gardening/agriculture/animal husbandry,
- handwork,
- health,
- housekeeping tips and customs,
- old age,
- other social clubs,
- prominent people (e.g. Margaret Fuller, J.J. Cox),
- science,
- self-improvement (e.g. happiness, avoid temptations, patience, cheerfulness, politeness),
- technology/manufacturing/industry, and
- war.

<i>Homes</i>	<i>Members</i>	<i>Guests</i>
Sherwood (Mary L. Roberts)	Anna E. Hartshorne	E.J. Brooke
Brooke Grove (E.J. Brooke – guest)	Beulah I. Lea	L. Painter
Prospect Hill (Sarah H. Stone)	Deborah A. Lea	Matilda Gilpin
Ashland (Lydia G. Thomas)	Edith D. Bentley	Rebecca Billing
Charley Forest (Jane H. Schofield)	Elizabeth G. Thomas	Sarah A. Ellicott
Alloway (Mary M. Miller)	Hadasseh J. Moore	
Clifton (Rebecca M. Thomas)	Jane H. Schofield	
Cherry Grove (Elizabeth G. Thomas)	Jane Porter	
Bloomfield (Edith D. Bentley)	Lydia G. Thomas	
Cedar Lawn (Margaret Farquhar)	Margaret Farquhar	
Avalon (Rachel E. Gilpin)	Mary L. Roberts	
Leawood (Anna E. Hartshorne)	Mary M. Miller	
	Rachel E. Gilpin	
	Rebecca M. Thomas	
	Sally Ann Gilpin	
	Sarah H. Stone	
	Sophia E. Peirce	

1863 (pages 150-171): The minutes of 1863 span from February 26, 1863 to December 31, 1863. Topics discussed at the meetings included:

- art/music,
- charity and philanthropy,
- domestic places/events/customs (e.g. gold in California),
- education,
- faith,
- food preparation and recipes,
- food preservation,
- foreign places/events/customs (e.g. French economy, Pompeii discoveries, gold in Australia),
- friendship,
- gardening/agriculture/animal husbandry,
- health and exercise,
- history,
- housekeeping tips and customs,
- managing servants,
- marriage,
- motherhood/child rearing/family life,
- old age,
- prominent people (e.g. Dr. Blackwell, Thomas Paine, Anna E. Dickinson, Josiah Wedgewood),
- science,
- self-improvement (e.g. happiness, kindness, humility, look on bright side),
- slavery,
- technology/manufacturing/industry,
- war, and
- women's rights.

<i>Homes</i>	<i>Members</i>	<i>Guests</i>
Plainfield (Hadasseh J. Moore)	Anna E. Hartshorne	Ann Marshall
Springdale (Deborah A. Lea)	Beulah I. Lea	Ann Scofield
Lea's Mill (Beulah I. Lea)	Deborah A. Lea	Cornelia Stabler
White Hall (Elizabeth Hopkins)	Edith D. Bentley	Elizabeth Hopkins
White Cottage (Jane Porter)	Elizabeth G. Thomas	Sarah E. Stabler
Fairfield (formerly Poplar Lodge; Sophia E. Peirce)	Hadasseh J. Moore	
Sherwood (Mary L. Roberts)	Jane H. Schofield	
Prospect Hill (Sarah H. Stone)	Jane Porter	
Charley Forest (Jane H. Schofield)	Lydia G. Thomas	
Ashland (Lydia G. Thomas)	Margaret Farquhar	
Clifton (Rebecca M. Thomas)	Mary L. Roberts	
	Mary M. Miller	
	Rachel E. Gilpin	
	Rebecca M. Thomas	
	Sally Ann Gilpin	
	Sarah H. Stone	
	Sophia E. Peirce	

1864 (pages 172-193): The minutes of 1864 span from January 28, 1864 to December 17, 1864. Topics discussed at the meetings included:

- colored people,
- charity and philanthropy (e.g. sewing),
- death,
- domestic places/events/customs (e.g. Broadway in New York City),
- economy,
- education,
- faith,
- fashion,
- food preparation and recipes,
- foreign places/events/customs (e.g. Switzerland, diving near Hayti, House of Poverty in London),
- gardening/agriculture/animal husbandry,
- handwork,
- health and exercise,
- housekeeping tips and customs,
- managing servants,
- marriage,
- old age,
- other religions,
- other social clubs,
- politics,
- prominent people (e.g. Elizabeth Carter),
- science,
- self-improvement (e.g. honesty, happiness),
- slavery,
- technology/manufacturing/industry,
- travel (domestic; e.g. Alexandria), and
- war.

<i>Homes</i>	<i>Members</i>	<i>Guests</i>
Cherry Grove (Elizabeth G. Thomas)	Anna E. Hartshorne	Anna Miller
Bloomfield (Edith D. Bentley)	Beulah I. Lea	L. Painter
Avalon (Rachel E. Gilpin)	Deborah A. Lea	Mary Chandlee
Alloway (Mary M. Miller)	Edith D. Bentley	Molly Wood
The Cedars (Margaret Farquhar)	Elizabeth G. Thomas	Sarah E. Stabler
Leawood (Anna E. Hartshorne)	Hadasseh J. Moore	
Burnside (Sarah E. Stabler)	Jane H. Schofield	
Lea's Mill (Beulah I. Lea)	Jane Porter	
Springdale (Deborah A. Lea)	Lydia G. Thomas	
Fairfield (Sophia E. Peirce)	Margaret Farquhar	
	Mary L. Roberts	
	Mary M. Miller	
	Rachel E. Gilpin	

	Rebecca M. Thomas	
	Sally Ann Gilpin	
	Sarah H. Stone	
	Sophia E. Peirce	

1865 (pages 193-209): The minutes of 1865 span from January 26, 1865 to October 21, 2865. Topics discussed at the meetings included:

- colored people,
- charity and philanthropy (e.g. sewing for war refugees),
- death,
- economy,
- food preparation and recipes,
- gardening/agriculture/animal husbandry,
- handwork,
- health,
- housekeeping tips and customs,
- morality,
- motherhood,
- old age,
- other social clubs,
- prominent people (e.g. Abraham Lincoln, Dr. Wilson of Washington),
- science,
- self-improvement (e.g. kindness, courtesy),
- slavery,
- war, and
- women’s rights.

<i>Homes</i>	<i>Members</i>	<i>Guests</i>
Sherwood (Mary L. Roberts)	Anna E. Hartshorne	Ann Marshall
Ashland (Lydia G. Thomas)	Beulah I. Lea	Ann Scofield
Cherry Grove (Elizabeth G. Thomas)	Caroline B. Scott	Eliza Bentley
Prospect Hill (Sarah H. Stone)	Deborah A. Lea	Elizabeth Hopkins
Bloomfield (Edith D. Bentley)	Edith D. Bentley	Lavinia Murphy
The Cedars (Margaret Farquhar)	Elizabeth G. Thomas	Sarah E. Stabler
A. Gilpin’s	Hadasseh J. Moore	
White Hall (Elizabeth Hopkins)	Jane H. Schofield	
Plainfield (Hadasseh J. Moore)	Jane Porter	
Alloway (Mary M. Miller)	Lydia G. Thomas	
	Margaret Farquhar	
	Mary L. Roberts	
	Mary M. Miller	
	Rachel E. Gilpin	
	Rebecca M. Thomas	
	Sally Ann Gilpin	
	Sarah H. Stone	
	Sophia E. Peirce	

1866 (pages 210-227): The minutes of 1866 span from January 25, 1866 to December 27, 1866. Topics discussed at the meetings included:

- charity and philanthropy,
- death,
- education,
- food preparation and recipes,
- foreign places/events/customs (e.g. translation of Assyrian inscription),
- freedmen,
- gardening/agriculture/animal husbandry,
- health,
- housekeeping tips and customs,
- managing servants,
- motherhood/child rearing/family life,
- old age,
- peace,
- prominent people (e.g. Charles Goodyear, Dinah Evans),
- science,
- self-improvement (e.g. happiness),
- technology/manufacturing/industry, and
- travel (domestic).

<i>Homes</i>	<i>Members</i>	<i>Guests</i>
Lea's Mill (Beulah I. Lea)	Anna E. Hartshorne	Ann Marshall
White Cottage (Jane Porter)	Beulah I. Lea	Ann Preston
Sherwood (Mary L. Roberts)	Caroline B. Scott	Elizabeth T. Kirk
Prospect Hill (Sarah H. Stone)	Catherine Chandlee	Mary Willis Kirk
Mount Pleasant (Caroline B. Scott)	Edith D. Bentley	Phebe Farquhar
Ashland (Lydia G. Thomas)	Elizabeth G. Thomas	
The Cedars (Margaret Farquhar)	Hadasseh J. Moore	
Bloomfield (Edith D. Bentley)	Jane Porter	
Avalon (Rachel E. Gilpin)	Lydia G. Thomas	
Cherry Grove (Elizabeth G. Thomas)	Margaret Farquhar	
	Martha Lea	
	Mary L. Roberts	
	Mary M. Miller	
	Rachel E. Gilpin	
	Rebecca M. Thomas	
	Sarah H. Stone	

Volume 2 - 2004.0018.0002

This volume contains the monthly minutes from January 31, 1867 to December 23, 1875. One-hundred and ninety-six meetings were recorded (297 total).

1867 (pages 1-12): The minutes of 1867 span from January 31, 1867 to December 26, 1867. Topics discussed at the meetings included:

- charity and philanthropy,
- beauty,
- colored people,
- death,
- faith and morality,
- female employment,
- food preparation and recipes,
- foreign places/events/customs (e.g. Second Empire Hotel in Paris),
- gardening/agriculture/animal husbandry,
- health and exercise,
- housekeeping tips and customs,
- motherhood/child rearing/family life,
- nature,
- old age,
- other religions,
- prominent people (e.g. Jean Ingelow, Arthur Kavanagh, Queen Victoria and Prince Albert, Rosa Bonheur),
- science,
- self-improvement (e.g. happiness, leisure is agreeable occupation, cheerfulness),
- slavery, and
- travel (domestic).

<i>Homes</i>	<i>Members</i>	<i>Guests</i>
Alloway (Mary M. Miller)	Beulah I. Lea	Ann Marshall
Plainfield (Hadasseh J. Moore)	Caroline B. Scott	Ann Scofield
Lea's Mill (Beulah I. Lea)	Edith D. Bentley	
Fair Hill (Mary Willis Kirk)	Elizabeth G. Thomas	
White Cottage (Jane Porter)	Hadasseh J. Moore	
Sherwood (Mary L. Roberts)	Jane Porter	
Prospect Hill (Sarah H. Stone)	Lydia G. Thomas	
Cherry Grove (Elizabeth G. Thomas)	Margaret Farquhar	
Mount Pleasant (Caroline B. Scott)	Mary L. Roberts	
	Mary M. Miller	
	Mary Willis Kirk	
	Rachel E. Gilpin	
	Sarah H. Stone	

1868 (pages 13-24): The minutes of 1868 span from January 30, 1868 to November 19, 1868. Topics discussed at the meetings included:

- art,
- charity and philanthropy,
- faith,
- fashion,
- food preparation and recipes,
- domestic places/events/customs (e.g. aerolite in Tennessee),
- foreign places/events/customs (e.g. castle in Scotland, Emperor of China, artists in Florence, future of China, floating city of Siam, tallest chimney in world in Glasgow, Switzerland),
- gardening/agriculture/animal husbandry,
- health,
- history,
- housekeeping tips and customs,
- motherhood/child rearing/family life,
- nature,
- other social clubs,
- prominent people (e.g. Queen Victoria, Prince Albert, John Maynard, Charles Dickens, Sir Walter Scott, Mrs. Mary Mason),
- Quakerism,
- science,
- self-improvement (e.g. social intercourse, procrastination, happiness, gratitude), and
- technology/manufacturing/industry.

<i>Homes</i>	<i>Members</i>	<i>Guests</i>
Ashland (Lydia G. Thomas)	Beulah I. Lea	Deborah A. Lea
The Cedars (Margaret Farquhar)	Caroline B. Scott	Mary Lippincott
Avalon (Rachel E. Gilpin)	Edith D. Bentley	Phebe Farquhar
Fair Hill (Mary Willis Kirk)	Elizabeth G. Thomas	S.B. Farquhar
Ashland (Lydia G. Thomas)	Hadasseh J. Moore	S.B. Stabler
Lea's Mill (Beulah I. Lea)	Jane Porter	S.E. Peirce
Fulford (Margaret S. Hollowell)	Lydia G. Thomas	Sarah E. Stabler
Alloway (Mary M. Miller)	Margaret Farquhar	
Sunset (Jane Porter)	Margaret S. Hollowell	
	Mary L. Roberts	
	Mary M. Miller	
	Mary Willis Kirk	
	Rachel E. Gilpin	
	Sarah H. Stone	

1869 (pages 24-36): The minutes of 1869 span from January 21, 1869 to December 16, 1869. Topics discussed at the meetings included:

- colored people,
- domestic places/events/customs (e.g. Yosemite Valley, Greenwood Cemetery),
- education,
- faith,
- female employment,
- food preparation and recipes,
- foreign places/events/customs (e.g. Vesuvius, Chinese charitable institutions, ex-queen of Spain),
- gardening/agriculture/animal husbandry,
- handwork,
- health,
- housekeeping tips and customs,
- Indians,⁸
- managing servants,
- motherhood/child rearing/family life,
- nature,
- old age,
- prominent people (e.g. Harriet Tubman, Gibbon, Lucretia Mott, Miss Kate Field, Durant),
- Quakerism,
- science,
- self-improvement (e.g. sympathy, kindness, responsibility, happiness, truth),
- slavery,
- technology/manufacturing/industry,
- transportation,
- travel (domestic; e.g. Nebraska),
- women’s rights, and
- womanhood.

<i>Homes</i>	<i>Members</i>	<i>Guests</i>
Sherwood (Mary L. Roberts)	Beulah I. Lea	Ann Marshall
Prospect Hill (Sarah H. Stone)	Caroline B. Scott	Anna Wilson
Mount Pleasant (Caroline B. Scott)	Edith D. Bentley	Caroline H. Miller
Ashland (Lydia G. Thomas)	Elizabeth G. Thomas	Mary Bentley Thomas
Cherry Grove (Elizabeth G. Thomas)	Hadasseh J. Moore	Mary Parker
Bloomfield (Edith D. Bentley)	Jane Porter	P. Leggett
Fulford (Margaret S. Hallowell)	Lydia G. Thomas	Phebe Farquhar
Lea’s Mill (Beulah I. Lea)	Margaret Farquhar	S.I. Miller
Fair Hill (Mary Willis Kirk)	Margaret S. Hallowell	Sarah T. Miller
Avalon (Rachel E. Gilpin)	Mary L. Roberts	
	Mary M. Miller	
	Mary Willis Kirk	

⁸ This term was used in the minutes and thus is reproduced in the finding aid.

	Rachel E. Gilpin	
	Sarah H. Stone	

1870 (pages 37, 58-59, 40-46): The minutes of 1870 span from January 27, 1870 to December 8, 1870. Topics discussed at the meetings included:

- charity and philanthropy (e.g. sewing garments for Indians under care of Friends),
- domestic places/events/customs (e.g. Grand Canyon, Chinese workmen in Massachusetts),
- faith,
- fashion,
- food preparation and recipes,
- food preservation,
- foreign places/events/customs (e.g. ancient town discovered in Greece, Singapore, childcare institution in France, falls in river in Africa),
- gardening/agriculture/animal husbandry,
- health,
- housekeeping tips and customs,
- Indians,
- morality,
- prominent people (e.g. Albert G. Drecker, Tennyson, John Bright, Phebe Thomas),
- Quakerism,
- self-improvement (e.g. hope, charity, rest),
- technology/manufacturing/industry,
- travel (domestic; e.g. Nebraska), and
- women’s rights.

<i>Homes</i>	<i>Members</i>	<i>Guests</i>
Plainfield (Hadasseh J. Moore)	Beulah I. Lea	Anna E. Hartshorne
Alloway (Mary M. Miller)	Caroline B. Scott	A.L. Moore
Sunset (Jane Porter)	Edith D. Bentley	Eliza Kirk
Sherwood (Mary L. Roberts)	Elizabeth G. Thomas	Sarah E. Stabler
Springdale (Deborah A. Lea)	Hadasseh J. Moore	W.H. Farquhar
Prospect Hill (Sarah H. Stone)	Jane Porter	
Fulford (Margaret S. Hallowell)	Lydia G. Thomas	
Mount Pleasant (Caroline B. Scott)	Margaret Farquhar	
Cherry Grove (Elizabeth G. Thomas)	Margaret S. Hallowell	
Bloomfield (Edith D. Bentley)	Mary L. Roberts	
	Mary M. Miller	
	Mary Willis Kirk	
	Rachel E. Gilpin	
	Sarah H. Stone	

1871 (pages 47-59): The minutes of 1871 span from January 26, 1871 to November 24, 1871. Topics discussed at the meetings included:

- charity and philanthropy (e.g. sewing garments for Indians),
- child labor,
- death,
- domestic disasters (e.g. Chicago fire),
- education,
- faith,
- fashion,
- female employment,
- food preparation and recipes,
- foreign places/events/customs (e.g. funeral for E. Indian Prince in Florence, burial customs of Spain, diamond regions in South Africa, Herculaneum and Pompeii, Lapland),
- gardening/agriculture/animal husbandry,
- health,
- history,
- housekeeping tips and customs,
- Indians,
- manufacturing,
- marriage,
- motherhood/child rearing/family life,
- old age,
- other religions,
- other social groups,
- prominent people (e.g. Queen Victoria, Josephine Butler),
- Quakerism,
- self-improvement (e.g. cheerfulness, hope, happiness),
- technology/manufacturing/industry,
- women's rights, and
- womanhood.

<i>Homes</i>	<i>Members</i>	<i>Guests</i>
The Cedars (Margaret Farquhar)	Anna F. Gilpin	Ann Marshall
Avalon (Rachel E. Gilpin)	Beulah I. Lea	Anna E. Hartshorne
Ashland (Lydia G. Thomas)	Edith D. Bentley	Deborah A. Lea
Fair Hill (Mary Willis Kirk)	Elizabeth G. Thomas	Jane Hartshorne
Riverside (Elizabeth S. Iddings)	Hadasseh J. Moore	Mary Chandlee
Lea's Mill (Beulah I. Lea)	Jane Porter	Mary Parker
Leawood (Anna E. Hartshorne)	Lydia G. Thomas	S.E. Kirk
Plainfield (Hadasseh J. Moore)	Margaret Farquhar	Sarah E. Stabler
Sunset (Jane Porter)	Margaret S. Hallowell	
Alloway (Mary M. Miller)	Mary L. Roberts	
	Mary M. Miller	
	Mary Willis Kirk	

	Rachel E. Gilpin	
	Sarah H. Stone	

1872 (pages 59-70): The minutes of 1872 span from January 28, 1872 to December 19, 1872. Topics discussed at the meetings included:

- charity and philanthropy (e.g. sewing garments for Indians),
- death,
- domestic places/events/customs (e.g. Yellowstone),
- education,
- faith,
- fashion,
- food preparation and recipes,
- food preservation,
- foreign places/events/customs (e.g. death customs in East, Christmas reception of Miss Clara Barton in Strasburg, eruption of Vesuvius, female customs in Paris, Japan, merino and alpaca wool of Australia),
- gardening/agriculture/animal husbandry,
- health,
- history,
- housekeeping tips and customs,
- Indians,
- managing servants,
- marriage,
- morality,
- motherhood/child rearing/family life,
- nature,
- prominent people (e.g. Mary A. Livermore, J. Fennimore Cooper, Clarkson Taylor),
- science,
- self-improvement (e.g. don't give up independence, happiness, wealth doesn't equal happiness),
- technology/manufacturing/industry,
- travel (domestic; e.g. Nebraska), and
- women's rights.

<i>Homes</i>	<i>Members</i>	<i>Guests</i>
Sherwood (Mary L. Roberts)	Anna F. Gilpin	A.L. Moore
Prospect Hill (Sarah H. Stone)	Beulah I. Lea	Ann Scofield
Cherry Grove (Elizabeth G. Thomas)	Caroline B. Scott	Deborah A. Lea
Bloomfield (Edith D. Bentley)	Edith D. Bentley	E. Gilpin
Ashland (Lydia G. Thomas)	Elizabeth G. Thomas	Jane Scofield
The Cedars (Margaret Farquhar)	Hadasseh J. Moore	M. Parker
Avalon (Rachel E. Gilpin)	Jane Porter	Mary E. Moore
Lea's Mill (Beulah I. Lea)	Lydia G. Thomas	Rebecca M. Thomas
Plainfield (Hadasseh J. Moore)	Margaret Farquhar	S.B. Farquhar
Oak Grove (Margaret S. Hallowell)	Margaret S. Hallowell	Sarah Chandlee
	Mary L. Roberts	Sarah E. Kirk
	Mary M. Miller	

	Mary Willis Kirk	
	Rachel E. Gilpin	
	Sarah H. Stone	

1873 (pages 71-90): The minutes of 1873 span from January 30, 1873 to December 18, 1873. Topics discussed at the meetings included:

- charity and philanthropy,
- death,
- faith,
- fashion,
- female employment,
- food preparation and recipes,
- food preservation,
- foreign places/events/customs (e.g. prison in Dublin, village of salt airs in Yorkshire, voyage in icy regions, linen manufacturing in Ireland),
- friendship,
- gardening/agriculture/animal husbandry,
- handwork,
- health and exercise,
- housekeeping tips and customs,
- Indians,
- managing servants,
- marriage,
- motherhood/child rearing/family life,
- nature,
- old age,
- prominent people (e.g. Lucretia Mott, Mary Somerville, Ann Preston, Rachel Russell, Mozart, John Bright, Mrs. Horace Thomas),
- science,
- self-improvement (e.g. happiness, don't fret, simplicity),
- technology/manufacturing/industry,
- transportation,
- travel (domestic; e.g. Idaho Springs, Colorado),
- travel (international; e.g. Irish coast, England), and
- women's rights.

<i>Homes</i>	<i>Members</i>	<i>Guests</i>
Alloway (Mary M. Miller)	Anna E. Hartshorne	Anna L. Moore
Sunset (Jane Porter)	Anna F. Gilpin	E. Hopkins
Sherwood (Mary L. Roberts)	Beulah I. Lea	E.J. Brooke
Fair Hill (Mary Willis Kirk)	Caroline B. Scott	Eliza Brooke
Prospect Hill (Sarah H. Stone)	Edith D. Bentley	Lizzie Lea
Mount Pleasant (Caroline B. Scott)	Elizabeth G. Thomas	M. Leggit
Ashland (Lydia G. Thomas)	Hadasseh J. Moore	Mary B. Kirk
Cherry Grove (Elizabeth G. Thomas)	Jane Porter	Mary Bentley Thomas
Lea's Mill (Beulah I. Lea)	Lydia G. Thomas	Phebe Farquhar
The Cedars (Margaret Farquhar)	Margaret Farquhar	Ruth Lugdale (?)
Avalon (Rachel E. Gilpin)	Margaret S. Hallowell	Sarah A. Ellicott

Bloomfield (Edith D. Bentley)	Mary L. Roberts	S.B. Farquhar
	Mary M. Miller	Sarah E. Stabler
	Mary Willis Kirk	Sarah Lea
	Rachel E. Gilpin	Virginia Matthews
	Rebecca M. Thomas	
	Sarah H. Stone	

1874 (pages 91-110): The minutes of 1874 span from January 29, 1874 to December 3, 1874. Topics discussed at the meetings included:

- charity and philanthropy,
- death,
- domestic disasters (e.g. flood in Louisiana),
- education,
- faith,
- food preparation and recipes,
- foreign places/events/customs (e.g. Norway and Sweden, famine in India, treatment of English children, missionaries in Africa, German cooking),
- gardening/agriculture/animal husbandry,
- history,
- housekeeping tips and customs,
- Indians,
- managing servants,
- manufacturing,
- motherhood/child rearing/family life,
- nature,
- old age,
- other social clubs,
- Quakerism,
- science,
- self-improvement (e.g. contentment, cheerfulness, importance of little things, look on bright side, good habits),
- travel (domestic; e.g. New Orleans, Colorado), and
- travel (international; e.g. Europe).

<i>Homes</i>	<i>Members</i>	<i>Guests</i>
Walnut Hill (Anna F. Gilpin)	Anna E. Hartshorne	Anna L. Moore
Plainfield (Hadasseh J. Moore)	Anna F. Gilpin	Eliza Brooke
Oak Grove (Margaret S. Hallowell)	Beulah I. Lea	Lizzie Scott
Clifton (Rebecca M. Thomas)	Caroline B. Scott	M. Needles
Alloway (Mary M. Miller)	Edith D. Bentley	M.B. Kirk
Sunset (Jane Porter)	Elizabeth G. Thomas	M.B. Magruder
Leawood (Anna E. Hartshorne)	Hadasseh J. Moore	Mary Bentley Thomas
Sherwood (Mary L. Roberts)	Jane Porter	Mary Brooke
Fair Hill (Mary Willis Kirk)	Lydia G. Thomas	Mary E. Moore
Prospect Hill (Sarah H. Stone)	Margaret Farquhar	Pattie Thomas
Mount Pleasant (Caroline B. Scott)	Margaret S. Hallowell	Phebe Farquhar
	Mary L. Roberts	S. Lea
	Mary M. Miller	Sophie Peirce
	Mary Willis Kirk	
	Rachel E. Gilpin	
	Rebecca M. Thomas	
	Sarah H. Stone	

1875 (pages 111-129): The minutes of 1875 span from January 28, 1875 to December 23, 1875. Topics discussed at the meetings included:

- charity and philanthropy (e.g. sewing garments for Indians),
- colored people,
- death,
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- fashion,
- food preparation and recipes,
- foreign places/events/customs (e.g. Lake Como, Strausburg clock, Pisa, penitentiary in Berlin),
- friendship,
- gardening/agriculture/animal husbandry,
- handwork,
- health,
- housekeeping tips and customs,
- Indians,
- motherhood/child rearing/family life,
- nature,
- old age,
- prominent people (e.g. George Sand, Joseph Hoge, Lady Anna Hackett, Thomas Carlyle),
- self-improvement (e.g. simplicity, goodness, happiness, virtue),
- technology/manufacturing/industry,
- travel (domestic; e.g. Colorado), and
- travel (international; e.g. Europe).

<i>Homes</i>	<i>Members</i>	<i>Guests</i>
Cherry Grove (Elizabeth G. Thomas)	Anna E. Hartshorne	Eliza Kirk
Bloomfield (Edith D. Bentley)	Anna F. Gilpin	Lizzie Gilpin
Cedars (Margaret Farquhar)	Beulah I. Lea	Lizzie Scott
Oak Grove (Margaret S. Hallowell)	Caroline B. Scott	Louisa Painter
Avalon (Rachel E. Gilpin)	Edith D. Bentley	Lucy Crandle
Walnut Hill (Anna F. Gilpin)	Elizabeth G. Thomas	Mary E. Moore
Leawood (Anna E. Hartshorne)	Hadasseh J. Moore	Mrs. Borgman
Plainfield (Hadasseh J. Moore)	Jane Porter	Mrs. Christian
Lea's Miller (Beulah I. Lea)	Lydia G. Thomas	S. Farquhar
Sherwood (Mary L. Roberts)	Margaret Farquhar	Saide B. Lea
Sunset (Jane Porter)	Margaret S. Hallowell	Sarah E. Stabler
	Mary L. Roberts	
	Mary M. Miller	
	Mary Willis Kirk	
	Rachel E. Gilpin	
	Rebecca M. Thomas	
	Sarah H. Stone	

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This volume contains the monthly minutes from January 27, 1876 to September 20, 1883. Eighty-four meetings were recorded (363 total).

1876 (pages 3-20): The minutes of 1876 span from January 27, 1876 to December 21, 1876. Topics discussed at the meetings included:

- art,
- charity and philanthropy,
- death,
- education,
- faith,
- fashion,
- food preparation and recipes,
- foreign places/events/customs (e.g. Swedish education, gypsies, German monastery),
- gardening/agriculture/animal husbandry,
- handwork,
- health,
- history,
- housekeeping tips and customs,
- motherhood/child rearing/family life,
- prominent people (e.g. Joseph Dobbin, Caroline Herschet(?), William C. Bryant, Pope, Mrs. Maxwell),
- Quakerism,
- science,
- self-improvement (e.g. happiness, cheerfulness, benevolence),
- technology/manufacturing/industry,
- temperance, and
- travel (domestic; e.g. California).

<i>Homes</i>	<i>Members</i>	<i>Guests</i>
Prospect Hill (Sarah H. Stone)	Anna E. Hartshorne	Carrie M. Miller
Clifton (Rebecca M. Thomas)	Anna F. Gilpin	Jane Schofield
Fair Hill (Mary Willis Kirk)	Beulah I. Lea	Jenni Harrison
Mount Pleasant (Caroline B. Scott)	Caroline B. Scott	L. Painter
Ashland (Lydia G. Thomas)	Edith D. Bentley	Lizzie Blackhorn
Alloway (Mary M. Miller)	Elizabeth G. Thomas	M. Needles
Cherry Grove (Elizabeth G. Thomas)	Hadasseh J. Moore	Mary Bentley Thomas
Bloomfield (Edith D. Bentley)	Jane Porter	Mary E. Moore
Cedars (Margaret Farquhar)	Lydia G. Thomas	Mary Hall
Avalon (Rachel E. Gilpin)	Margaret Farquhar	P.S. Miller
	Margaret S. Hallowell	P.S. Miller
	Mary L. Roberts	Pattie Thomas
	Mary M. Miller	R.M. Shorman
	Mary Willis Kirk	Saide Lea

	Rachel E. Gilpin	Sarah E. Stabler
	Rebecca M. Thomas	Sydney Blackburn
	Sarah H. Stone	

1877 (pages 21-39): The minutes of 1877 span from January 18, 1877 to December 20, 1877. Topics discussed at the meetings included:

- art,
- death,
- domestic places/events/customs (e.g. hot springs in Arkansas),
- education,
- faith,
- fashion,
- food preparation and recipes,
- foreign places/events/customs (e.g. tomb of Agamemnon, Siberia, Chinese marriage, arctic),
- gardening/agriculture/animal husbandry,
- handwork,
- health,
- history,
- housekeeping tips and customs,
- motherhood/child rearing/family life,
- nature,
- old age,
- other social groups,
- prominent people (e.g. George Ticknor, Harriet Martineau, John Price, Miss Gambrill, William Wist, Lady Stirling Maxwell, George Trueman, Louisa Alcott),
- Quakerism,
- science,
- self-improvement (e.g. politeness),
- technology/manufacturing/industry, and
- travel (domestic; e.g. New Mexico).

<i>Homes</i>	<i>Members</i>	<i>Guests</i>
Leawood (Anna E. Hartshorne)	Anna E. Hartshorne	B.H. Thomas
Plainfield (Hadasseh J. Moore)	Anna F. Gilpin	Beulah I. Lea
Sunset (Jane Porter)	Caroline B. Scott	E.N. Bentley
Oak Grove (Margaret S. Hallowell)	Edith D. Bentley	Eliza J. Brooke
Sherwood (Mary L. Roberts)	Elizabeth G. Thomas	Mary Bentley Thomas
Prospect Hill (Sarah H. Stone)	Hadasseh J. Moore	Mary Willis Kirk
Mount Pleasant (Caroline B. Scott)	Jane Porter	Patty Thomas
Glenwood (Louisa Brooke)	Lydia G. Thomas	Saide Lea
The Cottage (Sarah E. Stabler)	Margaret Farquhar	Sarah Farquhar
Cherry Grove (Elizabeth G. Thomas)	Margaret S. Hallowell	Sarah Miller
	Mary E. Moore	
	Mary L. Roberts	
	Rachel E. Gilpin	
	Rebecca M. Thomas	
	Sarah A. Ellicott	
	Sarah E. Stabler	
	Sarah H. Stone	

1878 (pages 40-55): The minutes of 1878 span from January 31, 1878 to November 28, 1878. Topics discussed at the meetings included:

- beauty,
- charity and philanthropy,
- economy,
- education,
- domestic places/events/customs (e.g. Ely Celebration in Connecticut),
- faith,
- female employment,
- food preparation and recipes,
- food preservation,
- foreign places/events/customs (e.g. petrified forest near Cairo, customs of Abyssinia, cooking school in London, Eucalyptus of Australia, city of Bosphorus),
- friendship,
- gardening/agriculture/animal husbandry,
- health,
- history,
- housekeeping tips and customs,
- Indians,
- marriage,
- motherhood/child rearing/family life,
- nature,
- old age,
- other social groups,
- peace,
- prominent people (e.g. George Fox, Whittier),
- Quakerism,
- science,
- self-improvement (e.g. love, help one another, silent influence, trust, cheerfulness, contentment, gentleness),
- social justice,
- technology/manufacturing/industry,
- temperance,
- travel (domestic; e.g. Mount Vernon), and
- women's rights.

<i>Homes</i>	<i>Members</i>	<i>Guests</i>
Bloomfield (Edith D. Bentley)	Anna E. Hartshorne	Eliza Farquhar
Brooke Meadow (Sarah A. Ellicott)	Anna F. Gilpin	Elizabeth Smith
Cedars (Margaret Farquhar)	Caroline B. Scott	Helen Bentley
Avalon (Rachel E. Gilpin)	Edith D. Bentley	Julia Stabler
Walnut Hill (Anna F. Gilpin)	Elizabeth G. Thomas	Kate Janney
Leawood (Anna E. Hartshorne)	Hadasseh J. Moore	Lizzie Gilpin
Oak Grove (Margaret S. Hallowell)	Jane Porter	Lucy Snowden

Plainfield (Hadasseh J. Moore)	Lydia G. Thomas	M. Harsey
Fair Hill (Mary Willis Kirk)	Margaret Farquhar	Mary Willis Kirk
Sunset (Jane Porter)	Margaret S. Hallowell	S. Farquhar
	Mary E. Moore	Sarah A. Bond
	Mary L. Roberts	
	Rachel E. Gilpin	
	Rebecca M. Thomas	
	Sarah A. Ellicott	
	Sarah E. Stabler	
	Sarah H. Stone	

1879 (pages 56-75): The minutes of 1879 span from January 31, 1879 to November 27, 1879. Topics discussed at the meetings included:

- charity and philanthropy,
- domestic places/events/customs (e.g. Luray Caverns),
- faith,
- food preparation and recipes,
- foreign places/events/customs (e.g. school in France, Siam, Irish peasantry),
- gardening/agriculture/animal husbandry,
- handwork,
- health,
- history,
- housekeeping tips and customs,
- Indians,
- managing servants,
- motherhood/child rearing/family life,
- nature,
- other social groups,
- peace,
- prominent people (e.g. Samantha Allen, Queen Victoria, John D. Wright, Mrs. Mary A. Woodbridge),
- self-improvement (e.g. make the most of life, thankfulness, cheerfulness, patience, politeness, listen well),
- temperance, and
- travel (domestic; e.g. Philadelphia, Swarthmore, Luray Caverns, Arizona).

<i>Homes</i>	<i>Members</i>	<i>Guests</i>
Prospect Hill (Sarah H. Stone)	Anna E. Hartshorne	Anna E. Moore
Clifton (Rebecca M. Thomas)	Anna F. Gilpin	Beulah Thomas
Cherry Grove (Elizabeth G. Thomas)	Caroline B. Scott	Carrie H. Miller
Bloomfield (Edith D. Bentley)	Edith D. Bentley	Eliza Farquhar
Brooke Meadow (Sarah A. Ellicott)	Elizabeth B. Smith	Eliza Hartshorne and baby daughter
Cedars (Margaret Farquhar)	Elizabeth G. Thomas	Lizzie Gilpin
Avalon (Rachel E. Gilpin)	Hadasseh J. Moore	Pattie Farquhar and baby son
Walnut Hill (Anna F. Gilpin)	Jane Porter	S.B. Farquhar
Leawood (Anna E. Hartshorne)	Lydia G. Thomas	Sarah E. Stabler
	Margaret Farquhar	Saide Lea
	Margaret S. Hallowell	Sarah Kirk
	Mary E. Moore	
	Mary L. Roberts	
	Rachel E. Gilpin	
	Rebecca M. Thomas	
	Sarah A. Bond	
	Sarah A. Ellicott	
	Sarah H. Stone	
	Sarah T. Miller	

1880 (pages 76-105): The minutes of 1880 span from January 1, 1880 to December 30, 1880. Topics discussed at the meetings included:

- charity and philanthropy,
- colored people,
- death,
- domestic places/events/customs (e.g. pre-historic ruins in Colorado, female prisons),
- education,
- faith,
- fashion,
- female employment,
- food preparation and recipes,
- foreign places/events/customs (e.g. gypsies in Europe, Morocco),
- friendship,
- gardening/agriculture/animal husbandry,
- handwork,
- health,
- history,
- housekeeping tips and customs,
- Indians,
- motherhood/child rearing/family life,
- nature,
- old age,
- other religions,
- peace,
- prominent people (e.g. Charles Dickens, James A. Howell, Longfellow, Sojourner Truth, Lucretia Mott, George Eliot),
- science,
- self-improvement (e.g. don't worry over little things, enjoyment, patience, forgiveness, timeliness, self-control),
- technology/manufacturing/industry,
- temperance,
- transportation, and
- women's rights.

<i>Homes</i>	<i>Members</i>	<i>Guests</i>
Oak Grove (Margaret S. Hallowell)	Anna E. Hartshorne	Amanda Devo(?)
Mount Airy (Sarah T. Miller)	Anna F. Gilpin	Annie Hallowell
Plainfield (Hadasseh J. Moore)	Caroline B. Scott	Annie Needles
Sunset (Jane Porter)	Edith D. Bentley	Beulah I. Lea
Sherwood (Mary L. Roberts)	Elizabeth B. Smith	Beulah L. Thomas
Osceola (Elizabeth B. Smith)	Elizabeth G. Thomas	Deborah A. Lea
Mount Pleasant (Caroline B. Scott)	Hadasseh J. Moore	Eliza Farquhar
Clifton (Rebecca M. Thomas)	Jane Porter	Ellie Scott
Cherry Grove (Elizabeth G. Thomas)	Lydia G. Thomas	Grave Harvey

Bloomfield (Edith D. Bentley)	Margaret Farquhar	Hallie Chandlee
Evergreen (Sarah A. Bond)	Margaret S. Hallowell	Jane Schofield
Cedars (Margaret Farquhar)	Mary E. Moore	Lizzie Scott
	Mary L. Roberts	Lizzie Stabler
	Rachel E. Gilpin	Lucy Stabler
	Rebecca M. Thomas	Martha Harney
	Sarah A. Bond	Mary B. Kirk
	Sarah A. Ellicott	Mary Bentley Thomas
	Sarah H. Stone	Mary Gilpin
	Sarah T. Miller	Mary Hall
		Mary Snowden
		Mary Willis Kirk
		Miss Arman(?)
		Miss Mullen and sister
		Patience Leggit
		Pattie Hopkins
		S. Farquhar
		Sarah E. Stabler
		Saide Lea
		Sallie Corlius

1881 (pages 106-130): The minutes of 1881 span from January 27, 1881 to December 15, 1881. Topics discussed at the meetings included:

- colored people,
- charity and philanthropy (e.g. sewing to help victims of Bay City Michigan fire),
- colored people,
- death,
- domestic disasters (e.g. Bay City Michigan fire, burning of Swarthmore),
- education,
- faith,
- food preparation and recipes,
- foreign places/events/customs (e.g. vessel unearthed in Norway, King of Bavaria, Japanese domestic life),
- handwork,
- health,
- history,
- housekeeping tips and customs,
- managing servants,
- marriage,
- motherhood/child rearing/family life,
- nature,
- old age,
- other religions,
- prominent people (e.g. Charles Spurgeon, Whittier, President Garfield, Lucretia Mott),
- science,
- self-improvement (e.g. meditation, escape temptations, cheerfulness),
- travel (domestic; Albany, New York),
- travel (international; e.g. London, Hawaiian Islands),
- women’s rights, and
- womanhood.

<i>Homes</i>	<i>Members</i>	<i>Guests</i>
Avalon (Rachel E. Gilpin)	Anna E. Hartshorne	Anna D. Stabler
Walnut Hill (Anna F. Gilpin)	Caroline B. Scott	Cornelia Stabler
Leawood (Anna E. Hartshorne)	Edith D. Bentley	Kate Janney
Oak Grove (Margaret S. Hallowell)	Elizabeth B. Smith	Lizzie Stabler
Mount Airy (Sarah T. Miller)	Elizabeth G. Thomas	M.E. Gilpin
The Cottage (Sarah E. Stabler)	Hadasseh J. Moore	Martha Harsey
Plainfield (Hadasseh J. Moore)	Jane Porter	Mary B. Kirk
Sunset (Jane Porter)	Lydia G. Thomas	Mary Bentley Thomas
Fair Hill (Mary Willis Kirk)	Margaret Farquhar	Mary Brooke
Osceola (Elizabeth B. Smith)	Margaret S. Hallowell	Mary Willis Kirk
	Mary E. Moore	Pattie Hopkins
	Mary L. Roberts	Sarah E. Stabler
	Rachel E. Gilpin	Sarah Farquhar

	Rebecca M. Thomas	
	Sarah A. Bond	
	Sarah A. Ellicott	
	Sarah H. Stone	
	Sarah T. Miller	

1882 (pages 131-158): The minutes of 1882 span from January 26, 1882 to December 28, 1882. Topics discussed at the meetings included:

- beauty,
- charity and philanthropy,
- child labor,
- death,
- domestic places/events/customs (e.g. early settlers in Washington D.C., cooking in Colorado),
- education,
- faith,
- female employment,
- food preparation and recipes,
- foreign places/events/customs (e.g. needles used by ancient Greek and Romans, Ferdinand Reed of Vienna, amber in Siberia, Japanese customs, wild silk of India, discoveries at Thebes),
- gardening/agriculture/animal husbandry,
- handwork,
- health,
- history,
- housekeeping tips and customs,
- Indians,
- motherhood/child rearing/family life,
- peace,
- prominent people (e.g. Prince Albert, Ann Deny),
- Quakerism
- science,
- self-improvement (e.g. pleasantness, love, courage, modesty, Sophie Bardisu ((?); Russian exile),
- social justice,
- technology/manufacturing/industry,
- temperance,
- transportation,
- womanhood, and
- women's rights.

<i>Homes</i>	<i>Members</i>	<i>Guests</i>
Sherwood (Mary L. Roberts)	Anna E. Hartshorne	Deborah A. Lea
Rosedale (Sarah H. Stone)	Anna F. Gilpin	E. Hough
Clifton (Rebecca M. Thomas)	Edith D. Bentley	Eliza Bentley
Cherry Grove (Elizabeth G. Thomas)	Elizabeth B. Smith	Ellen Stabler
Walnut Hill (Anna F. Gilpin)	Elizabeth G. Thomas	Fannie Hollowell
Evergreen (Sarah A. Bond)	Hadasseh J. Moore	Jane Schofield
Brooke Meadows (Sarah A. Ellicott)	Jane Porter	Julia Hollowell
Cedars (Margaret Farquhar)	Lydia G. Thomas	Kate Janney
Bloomfield (Edith D. Bentley)	Margaret Farquhar	M.D. Hull
Oak Grove (Margaret S. Hollowell)	Margaret S. Hollowell	Mary Bentley Thomas
Leawood (Anna E. Hartshorne)	Mary L. Roberts	Mary Hall

	Mary M. Miller	Mrs. John Miller
	Mary Willis Kirk	Sallie Needles
	Rachel E. Gilpin	Sarah Farquhar
	Rebecca M. Thomas	
	Sarah A. Bond	
	Sarah A. Ellicott	
	Sarah E. Stabler	
	Sarah H. Stone	
	Sarah T. Miller	

1883 (Volume 3: pages 163-184; Volume 4: pages 1-6): The minutes of 1883 span from January 25, 1883 to September 20 1883 in Volume 3 and October 18, 1883 to November 9, 1883 in Volume 4). Topics discussed at the meetings included:

- charity and philanthropy (e.g. aid for sufferers of fire in Michigan),
- death,
- domestic places/events/customs (e.g. family struck by lightning in Texas, Yellowstone, cemetery in Dakota),
- faith,
- food preparation and recipes,
- foreign places/events/customs (e.g. Japanese marriage customs, Polish hospitality, Windsor Castle, The Bon Marche in Paris, volcanic eruption in Java, conditions of women in India),
- friendship,
- gardening/agriculture/animal husbandry,
- handwork,
- health,
- history,
- housekeeping tips and customs,
- Indians,
- managing servants,
- marriage,
- motherhood/child rearing/family life,
- nature,
- old age,
- other religions,
- prominent people (e.g. Elizabeth Leggit, John Howard Payne, Samuel Townsend, Thomas Waring, Dr. William Chambers),
- Quakerism
- science,
- self-improvement (e.g. peace of mind, sympathy, gratitude, cheerfulness),
- social justice,
- technology/manufacturing/industry,
- temperance,
- travel (domestic; (e.g. New York, Rocky Mountains, Yosemite),
- travel (international; e.g. Europe, Canada, Dresden), and
- womanhood.

<i>Homes</i>	<i>Members</i>	<i>Guests</i>
Avalon (Rachel E. Gilpin)	Anna E. Hartshorne	Alice Stabler
Plainfield (Hadasseh J. Moore)	Anna F. Gilpin	Annie Brooke
Mount Airy (Sarah T. Miller)	Edith D. Bentley	Beulah Thomas
Alloway (Mary M. Miller)	Elizabeth G. Thomas	Eliza Farquhar
Olney (Sarah B. Farquhar)	Hadasseh J. Moore	Ellenor Hough
Sunset (Jane Porter)	Jane Porter	Grace Harvey
Sherwood (Mary L. Roberts)	Lydia G. Thomas	Elizabeth C. Davis

Rosedale (Sarah H. Stone)	Margaret Farquhar	M.E. Gilpin
The Cottage (Sarah E. Stabler)	Margaret S. Hallowell	Pattie Farquhar
Clifton (Rebecca M. Thomas)	Mary L. Roberts	Saide Lea
	Mary M. Miller	Sarah B. Farquhar
	Mary Willis Kirk	Sarah Kirk
	Rachel E. Gilpin	
	Rebecca M. Thomas	
	Sarah A. Bond	
	Sarah A. Ellicott	
	Sarah E. Stabler	
	Sarah H. Stone	
	Sarah T. Miller	

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This volume contains the monthly minutes from October 18, 1883 to December 26, 1888. Fifty-five meetings were recorded (434 total).

1884 (pages 7-34): The minutes of 1884 span from January 24, 1884 to November 27, 1884. Topics discussed at the meetings included:

- charity and philanthropy,
- domestic places/events/customs (e.g. cliff houses in Arizona and New Mexico),
- education,
- faith,
- female employment,
- food preparation and recipes,
- foreign places/events/customs (e.g. Jewish cemetery in Prague, straits of Sunda, Montevideo, cats as time keepers in China, farming in France, domestic life in Japan, domestic life in Manitoba, tea in Morocco),
- gardening/agriculture/animal husbandry,
- health,
- history,
- housekeeping tips and customs,
- Indians,
- motherhood/child rearing/family life,
- old age,
- prominent people (e.g. Louisa Alcott, Princess Eugenie, Whittier, Peter Cooke, DeWitt Talmage, Thomas Foulks, Elizabeth Fay (Lay?), Queen Victoria, Dolly Madison),
- Quakerism
- self-improvement (e.g. happiness, value of time, rest and recreation, brevity),
- technology/manufacturing/industry,
- temperance,
- travel (domestic; e.g. Yosemite, Yellowstone),
- travel (international; e.g. Dresden, Prague),
- womanhood, and
- women's rights.

<i>Homes</i>	<i>Members</i>	<i>Guests</i>
Cherry Grove (Elizabeth G. Thomas)	Anna E. Hartshorne	C.B. Smith
Bloomfield (Edith D. Bentley)	Anna F. Gilpin	Eliza Bentley
Brooke Meadow (Sarah A. Ellicott)	Edith D. Bentley	Ellenor Hough
Cedars (Margaret Farquhar)	Elizabeth B. Smith	M.B. Magruder
Oseola (Elizabeth B. Smith)	Elizabeth G. Thomas	Mary Hall
Walnut Hill (Anna F. Gilpin)	Hadasseh J. Moore	Miss Seabury
Avalon (Rachel E. Gilpin)	Jane Porter	Pattie Farquhar
Oak Grove (Margaret S. Hallowell)	Lydia G. Thomas	Sarah B. Stabler
Fair Hill (Mary Willis Kirk)	Margaret Farquhar	
	Margaret S. Hallowell	

	Mary L. Roberts	
	Mary M. Miller	
	Mary Willis Kirk	
	Rachel E. Gilpin	
	Rebecca M. Thomas	
	Sarah A. Bond	
	Sarah A. Ellicott	
	Sarah E. Stabler	
	Sarah H. Stone	
	Sarah T. Miller	

1885 (pages 35-74): The minutes of 1885 span from January 1, 1885 to November 26, 1885. Topics discussed at the meetings included:

- charity and philanthropy,
- economy,
- education,
- faith,
- fashion,
- food preparation and recipes,
- food preservation,
- foreign places/events/customs (e.g. herbs in India, Swiss mountain custom),
- gardening/agriculture/animal husbandry,
- handwork,
- health,
- history,
- housekeeping tips and customs,
- marriage,
- motherhood/child rearing/family life,
- nature,
- old age,
- prominent people (e.g. Emily Willard, John Vanderlyn, General Gordon, John Bright, Charles Dickens),
- self-improvement (e.g. cheerfulness, patience, calmness, modesty, trust, silence),
- temperance,
- transportation,
- travel (domestic; e.g. Clifton Springs), and
- women's rights.

<i>Homes</i>	<i>Members</i>	<i>Guests</i>
Leawood (Anna E. Hartshorne)	Anna E. Hartshorne	Alice Stabler
Alloway (Mary M. Miller)	Anna F. Gilpin	Annie McDowell
Plainfield (Hadasseh J. Moore)	Edith D. Bentley	Carrie Bond
Mount Airy (Sarah T. Miller)	Elizabeth G. Thomas	Carrie M. Brooke
Sunset (Jane Porter)	Hadasseh J. Moore	Cornelia Stabler
Rosedale (Sarah H. Stone)	Jane Porter	Eliza Farquhar
Sherwood (Mary L. Roberts)	Lydia G. Thomas	Eliza Needles
The Cottage (Sarah E. Stabler)	Margaret Farquhar	Ellen Smith
Cherry Grove (Elizabeth G. Thomas)	Margaret S. Hallowell	Ellenor Hough
Lucknough (Beulah L. Thomas, daughter of Rebecca M. Thomas)	Mary E. Moore	Grace Harvey
Evergreen (Sarah A. Bond)	Mary L. Roberts	Kate Ellicott
	Mary M. Miller	Lizzie Scott
	Mary Willis Kirk	Lucy Stabler
	Rachel E. Gilpin	Martha Lea
	Rebecca M. Thomas	Mary Gilpin
	Sarah A. Bond	Mary T. Bond

	Sarah A. Ellicott	Miss Landsdale
	Sarah E. Stabler	Mrs. Baltzell
	Sarah H. Stone	Mrs. Barnum
	Sarah T. Miller	Mrs. Boynton
		Mrs. Parsons
		Mrs. Wright
		P.R. Stabler
		Phoebe Cousins
		S.B. Farquhar
		S.B. Lea
		Sally Ann Gilpin
		Sarah Kirk
		Sophia E. Peirce

1886 (pages 75-104): The minutes of 1886 span from January 26, 1886 to December 16, 1886. Topics discussed at the meetings included:

- charity and philanthropy,
- death,
- domestic places/events/customs (e.g. Yellowstone Park),
- economy,
- education,
- faith,
- fashion,
- food preparation and recipes,
- foreign places/events/customs (e.g. Chinese dinner, duck raising in Canton, China, housekeeping in Japan, Bermuda, Dublin, Ireland),
- gardening/agriculture/animal husbandry,
- health,
- history,
- housekeeping tips and customs,
- Indians,
- managing servants,
- marriage,
- motherhood/child rearing/family life,
- nature,
- old age,
- other social clubs,
- prominent people (e.g. Andrew Carnegie, George Westinhouse, Father Matthew, Mrs. Josephine Butler),
- science,
- self-improvement (e.g. optimism, honesty, kindness, don't worry, happiness, simplicity),
- social justice,
- technology/manufacturing/industry,
- temperance,
- travel (domestic; e.g. White Mountains in Massachusetts),
- travel (international; e.g. Edinburgh, Germany),
- womanhood, and
- women's rights.

<i>Homes</i>	<i>Members</i>	<i>Guests</i>
Bloomfield (Edith D. Bentley)	Anna E. Hartshorne	Caroline H. Miller
Brooke Meadow (Sarah A. Ellicott)	Anna F. Gilpin	Catherine Stabler
Avalon (Rachel E. Gilpin)	Edith D. Bentley	Clara Neyman
Walnut Hill (Anna F. Gilpin)	Elizabeth G. Thomas	Cornelia Bentley
Pleasant Grove (Elizabeth J. Holland)	Elizabeth J. Holland	Eliza N. Bentley
Fair Hill (Mary Willis Kirk)	Hadasseh J. Moore	Ella Moore
Leawood (Anna E. Hartshorne)	Jane Porter	Ellen Stabler
Plainfield (Hadasseh J. Moore)	Lydia G. Thomas	Ellenor Hough

Mount Airy (Sarah T. Miller)	Margaret Farquhar	Ginnie Holland
Sunset (Jane Porter)	Margaret S. Hallowell	Jane Schofield
	Mary E. Moore	Kate Janney
	Mary L. Roberts	Lizzie Gilpin
	Mary M. Miller	Mary Bentley Thomas
	Mary Willis Kirk	Mary Gilpin
	Rachel E. Gilpin	Mary Janney
	Rebecca M. Thomas	Miss. Anna L. Moore
	Sarah A. Bond	Miss. Leabury
	Sarah A. Ellicott	Nellie Olds
	Sarah E. Stabler	Sarah Kirk
	Sarah H. Stone	
	Sarah T. Miller	

1887 (pages 104-149) The minutes of 1887 span from January 27, 1887 to December 29, 1887. Topics discussed at the meetings included:

- art,
- charity and philanthropy,
- colored people,
- death,
- domestic places/events/customs (e.g. homes in Dakota and Los Angeles, rock formation in New Jersey, stone mountains in Georgia, Blue Mountain House),
- economy,
- education,
- faith,
- female employment,
- food preparation and recipes,
- foreign places/events/customs (e.g. old clothes market in London, Holland kitchen),
- gardening/agriculture/animal husbandry,
- handwork,
- health,
- history,
- housekeeping tips and customs,
- Indians,
- managing servants,
- motherhood/child rearing/family life,
- old age,
- other social clubs,
- prominent people (e.g. Dean Stanley, Susanna Wellesley, Elizabeth Fry),
- Quakerism,
- self-improvement (e.g. goodness, purity, sympathy, trust, don't worry, truthfulness),
- technology/manufacturing/industry,
- temperance,
- transportation,
- travel (domestic; e.g. Blue Mountain House),
- womanhood, and
- women's rights.

<i>Homes</i>	<i>Members</i>	<i>Guests</i>
Alloway (Mary M. Miller)	Anna E. Hartshorne	Annie Brooke Kirk
Sherwood (Mary L. Roberts)	Anna F. Gilpin	Eliza Farquhar
The Cottage (Sarah E. Stabler)	Edith D. Bentley	Ellen Farquhar
Rosedale (Sarah H. Stone)	Elizabeth G. Thomas	Ellen Stabler
Cherry Grove (Elizabeth G. Thomas)	Elizabeth J. Holland	Ellenor Hough
Mount Olney (Granville Farquhar)	Hadasseh J. Moore	Grace Harvey
Evergreen (Sarah A. Bond)	Jane Porter	Jane Schofield
Bloomfield (Edith D. Bentley)	Lydia G. Thomas	Kate Janney
Brooke Meadow (Sarah A. Ellicott)	Margaret Farquhar	Kate Stabler

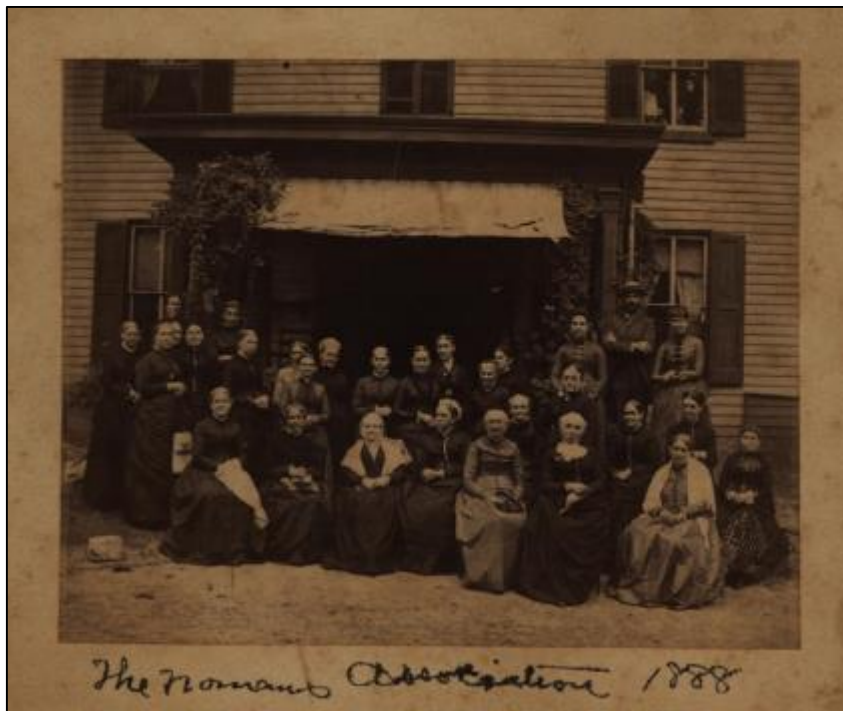
The Cedars (Margaret Farquhar)	Margaret S. Hallowell	Louisa Painter
Avalon (Rachel E. Gilpin)	Mary E. Moore	Marianne Stabler
Walnut Hill (Anna F. Gilpin)	Mary L. Roberts	Mary Bentley Thomas
	Mary M. Miller	Nellie Hartshorne
	Mary Willis Kirk	Pattie Farquhar
	Rachel E. Gilpin	S.B. Lea
	Rebecca M. Thomas	Sarah B. Farquhar
	Sarah A. Bond	Sarah Kirk
	Sarah A. Ellicott	Virginia Holland Steer
	Sarah E. Stabler	
	Sarah H. Stone	
	Sarah T. Miller	

1888 (pages 150-191) The minutes of 1888 span from to January 31, 1888 to December 26, 1888. Topics discussed at the meetings included:

- art,
- charity and philanthropy,
- death,
- education,
- faith,
- food preparation and recipes,
- foreign places/events/customs (e.g. food in China, act of mission near Patagonian shore),
- gardening/agriculture/animal husbandry,
- handwork,
- health,
- housekeeping tips and customs,
- Indians,
- motherhood/child rearing/family life,
- old age,
- prominent people (e.g. Margaret Parker, Mrs. Beecher, Louisa M. Alcott, Bayard Taylor, Alice Fisher, Joaquin Miller, Rosa Bonheur, John Harvard, Whittier),
- Quakerism,
- self-improvement (e.g. cheerfulness, contentment, look on bright side, forgiveness, happiness, purity, incompleteness, self-indulgence),
- technology/manufacturing/industry,
- temperance,
- transportation,
- tribute to deceased member,
- womanhood, and
- women's rights.

<i>Homes</i>	<i>Members</i>	<i>Guests</i>
Leawood (Annie E. Hartshorne)	Anna E. Hartshorne	Alice Stabler
Oak Grove (Margaret S. Hallowell)	Anna F. Gilpin	Anna D. Stabler
Pleasant Grove (Elizabeth J. Holland)	Edith D. Bentley	Anna Rice Powell
Fair Hill (Mary Willis Kirk)	Elizabeth G. Thomas	Annie Stabler
Plainfield (Hadasseh J. Moore)	Elizabeth J. Holland	Belle Miller
Alloway (Mary M. Miller)	Hadasseh J. Moore	Belle W. Hannum
Tanglewood (Susanna L. Thomas, on behalf of Lydia G. Thomas)	Jane Porter	Caroline O. Harron
Mount Airy (Sarah T. Miller)	Jane Schofield	Carry M. Brooke
Sunset (Jane Porter)	Lydia G. Thomas	Cornelia Stabler
Rosedale (Sarah H. Stone)	Margaret Farquhar	Elizabeth Comstock and daughter
Charley Forest (Jane H. Schofield)	Margaret S. Hallowell	Ellen Farquhar
	Mary E. Moore	Ellen Stabler
	Mary L. Roberts (passed away in 1888)	Ellenor Hough

	Mary M. Miller	Grace Harvey
	Mary Willis Kirk	Kate Stabler
	Rachel E. Gilpin	Lucy Stabler
	Rebecca M. Thomas	Mary E. Gilpin
	Sarah A. Bond	Mrs. Haviland
	Sarah A. Ellicott	Mrs. Pierce
	Sarah E. Stabler	Nannie Slaymaker
	Sarah H. Stone	Pattie Farquhar
	Sarah T. Miller	S.L. Thomas
		Sallie Schofield
		Sarah B. Farquhar
		Sarah Kirk



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This volume contains the monthly minutes from January 31, 1889 to February 27, 1896. Seventy-four meetings were recorded (508 total).

1889 (pages 1-42) The minutes of 1889 span from to January 31, 1889 to November 29, 1889. Topics discussed at the meetings included:

- art,
- charity and philanthropy,
- colored people,
- death,
- education,
- faith,
- fashion,
- food preparation and recipes,
- food preservation,
- foreign places/events/customs (e.g. Red Cross in London),
- friendship,
- gardening/agriculture/animal husbandry,
- handwork,
- health,
- history,
- housekeeping tips and customs,
- Indians,
- marriage,
- motherhood/child rearing/family life,
- old age,
- other social clubs,
- prominent people (e.g. Benjamin Harrison, Vice President Morton, Rebecca Russell, Helen Keller, Honorable John Bright, Maria Mitchel),
- Quakerism,
- self-improvement (e.g. cheerfulness, contentment, thankfulness, success vs. failure),
- technology/manufacturing/industry,
- temperance,
- travel (international; e.g. Scotland, Mexico),
- tributes to deceased members,
- womanhood, and
- women's rights.

<i>Homes</i>	<i>Members</i>	<i>Guests</i>
The Cottage (Sarah E. Stabler)	Anna E. Hartshorne	Annie D. Stabler
Belmont (Mary Bentley Thomas)	Anna F. Gilpin	Belle W. Hannon
Cherry Grove (Elizabeth G. Thomas)	Edith D. Bentley	C.O. Harrow
Bloomfield (Edith D. Bentley)	Elizabeth G. Thomas	Debbie Russell
Evergreen (Sarah A. Bond)	Elizabeth J. Holland	E. Comstock

Walnut Hill (Anna F. Gilpin)	Ellen Farquhar	Eliza N. Moore
Avalon (Rachel E. Gilpin)	Hadasseh J. Moore	Ella Hartshorne
Leawood (Anna E. Hartshorne)	Jane Porter	Ellen Stabler
Oak Grove (Margaret S. Hallowell)	Jane Schofield	Ellenor Hough
Pleasant Grove (Elizabeth J. Holland)	Lydia G. Thomas	Esther Wetherald
	Margaret Farquhar (passed away in 1889)	Fannie Farquhar
	Margaret S. Hallowell	Grace Harvey
	Mary E. Moore	Hannah Whitall Smith
	Mary M. Miller	Harriet Long
	Mary Willis Kirk	Jennie Lea
	Rachel E. Gilpin	Louisa Brooke
	Rebecca M. Thomas (passed away in 1889)	Marianne Stabler
	Sarah A. Bond	Mary Bentley Thomas
	Sarah A. Ellicott	Mary Komer
	Sarah E. Stabler	Pattie Farquhar
	Sarah H. Stone	Rose Cleveland
	Sarah T. Miller	S.L. Thomas
		Sallie Ann Gilpin
		Sarah Kirk
		Virginia Steer

1890 (pages 43-74) The minutes of 1890 span from to January 2, 1890 to November 27, 1890. Topics discussed at the meetings included:

- economy,
- education,
- faith,
- female employment,
- food preparation and recipes,
- foreign places/events/customs (e.g. pre-historic lake dwellers of Switzerland, political exiles in Siberia, milk distribution in London),
- gardening/agriculture/animal husbandry,
- handwork,
- health,
- history,
- housekeeping tips and customs,
- motherhood/child rearing/family life,
- old age,
- prominent people (e.g. Whittier, Elizabeth Cady Stanton, Susan B. Anthony, Adam Slowman, Dorothy Dix),
- Quakerism,
- self-improvement (e.g. kindness, honesty, happiness, silence, truth),
- technology/manufacturing/industry,
- temperance,
- travel (domestic; e.g. Roanoke),
- travel (international; e.g. Europe, Naples, Sweden, Lake Como),
- womanhood, and
- women’s rights.

<i>Homes</i>	<i>Members</i>	<i>Guests</i>
Alloway (Mary M. Miller)	Anna E. Hartshorne	Belle Miller
Sunset (Jane Porter)	Anna F. Gilpin	Carry Brooke
Rosedale (Sarah H. Stone)	Beulah L. Thomas	Elizabeth C. Davis
Fair Hill (Mary Willis Kirk)	Edith D. Bentley	Ellenor Hough
Charley Forest (Jane H. Schofield)	Elizabeth G. Thomas	Grace Parsley
Plainfield (Hadasseh J. Moore)	Elizabeth J. Holland	Louisa Brooke
The Cottage (Sarah E. Stabler)	Ellen Farquhar	M. Stabler
Mount Airy (Sarah T. Miller)	Hadasseh J. Moore	Marianne Stabler
Marden (Mary G. Tyson)	Jane Porter	Mrs. Patton
	Jane Schofield	S. Chandlee
	Lydia G. Thomas	Sarah Kirk
	Margaret S. Hallowell	
	Mary E. Moore	
	Mary G. Tyson	
	Mary M. Miller	
	Mary Willis Kirk	
	Rachel E. Gilpin	

	Sarah A. Bond	
	Sarah E. Stabler	
	Sarah H. Stone	
	Sarah T. Miller	

1891 (pages 75-109) The minutes of 1891 span from to January 1, 1890 to December 31, 1891. Topics discussed at the meetings included:

- charity and philanthropy,
- economy,
- education,
- faith,
- fashion,
- female employment,
- food preparation and recipes,
- foreign places/events/customs (e.g. time keeping around the world, London Bridge, proverbs in Greek, Arab, Persian, Hebrew),
- friendship,
- gardening/agriculture/animal husbandry,
- handwork,
- health,
- history,
- housekeeping tips and customs,
- Indians,
- managing servants,
- marriage,
- motherhood/child rearing/family life,
- old age,
- other social clubs,
- prominent people (e.g. Lucy Stone, Deborah Morris, Mary Sommerville, Lady Henry Somerset, Whittier),
- Quakerism,
- self-improvement (e.g. kindness, truth, happiness, help others),
- technology/manufacturing/industry,
- temperance,
- travel (domestic; e.g. San Antonio, Washington),
- travel (international; e.g. London, Europe), and
- women's rights.

<i>Homes</i>	<i>Members</i>	<i>Guests</i>
Cherry Grove (Elizabeth G. Thomas)	Anna E. Hartshorne	Anna Lea
Bloomfield (Edith D. Bentley)	Anna F. Gilpin	Carrie Bond
Evergreen (Sarah A. Bond)	Edith D. Bentley	Carry Gover
Avalon (Rachel E. Gilpin)	Elizabeth G. Thomas	E.T. Stabler
Cedars (Ellen Farquhar)	Elizabeth J. Holland	Eliza N. Moore
Walnut Hill (Anna F. Gilpin)	Ellen Farquhar	Elizabeth C. Davis
Oak Grove (Margaret S. Hallowell)	Hadasseh J. Moore	Ellen Stabler
Leewood (Anna E. Hartshorne)	Jane Porter	F.W. Robertson
Fair Hill (Mary Willis Kirk)	Lydia G. Thomas	Florence Wetherald
Pleasant Grove (Elizabeth J. Holland)	Margaret S. Hallowell	Grace Harvey

Alloway (Mary M. Miller)	Mary E. Moore	Helen Lea
Sunset (Jane Porter)	Mary G. Tyson	Ida M. Iddings
	Mary M. Miller	Isabell Miller
	Mary T. Bond	Kate Janney
	Mary Willis Kirk	Lou Brooke
	Rachel E. Gilpin	Maggie Bond
	Sarah A. Bond	Margaret Magruder
	Sarah E. Stabler	Mariana Stabler
	Sarah H. Stone	Martha A. Holland
	Sarah T. Miller	Martha Lea
		Mary Bentley Thomas
		Mary E. Gilpin
		Mary Matthews
		Millie Miles
		Polybeth Lea
		Rebecca T. Miller
		Sarah A. Ellicott
		Sarah Kirk
		Sophie Pierce
		Sue Reese
		Sue Thomas
		Zady Miller

1892 (pages 110-157) The minutes of 1892 span from February 25, 1892 to December 29, 1892. Topics discussed at the meetings included:

- charity and philanthropy (e.g. sewing for Friends free kindergarten of Baltimore),
- death,
- education,
- faith,
- female employment,
- foreign places/events/customs (e.g. movement in India, wedding customs among peasants in France, founding hospital in London),
- gardening/agriculture/animal husbandry,
- history,
- housekeeping tips and customs,
- Indians,
- marriage,
- nature,
- old age,
- peace,
- prominent people (e.g. Ella Wheeler Wilcox, M. Bilcesco, Amelia B. Edwards, Whittier, Countess of Aberdeen, Pundito Ramafar, Miss Kate Marsden),
- Quakerism,
- self-improvement (e.g. patience, happiness, cheerfulness, laughter),
- technology/manufacturing/industry,
- temperance,
- travel (domestic; e.g. Lake Mohawk),
- travel (international; e.g. Tunis, London, Spain),
- tributes to deceased members,
- womanhood, and
- women's rights.

<i>Homes</i>	<i>Members</i>	<i>Guests</i>
Mount Airy (Sarah T. Miller)	Anna E. Hartshorne (passed away in 1892)	A. Stabler
Plainfield (Hadasseh J. Moore)	Anna F. Gilpin	Ann Shoemaker
Rosedale (Sarah H. Stone)	Anna G. Lea	Cornelia Stabler
The Cottage (Sarah E. Stabler)	Edith D. Bentley	E.N. Moore
Cherry Grove (Elizabeth G. Thomas)	Eliza N. Moore	Elizabeth C. Davis
Evergreen (Sarah A. Bond)	Elizabeth G. Thomas	Ellen Stabler
Magnolia (Mary T. Bond)	Elizabeth J. Holland (passed away in 1892)	Grace Harvey
Bloomfield (Edith D. Bentley)	Ellen Farquhar	Louisa Brooke
Pleasant Grove (Martha A. Holland)	Hadasseh J. Moore	Mary Bentley Thomas
	Jane Porter	Mrs. Moore

	Lydia G. Thomas	Mrs. Potter
	Margaret S. Hallowell	Pattie Farquhar
	Martha A. Holland	Rebecca T. Miller
	Mary E. Moore	Sallie Ann Gilpin (former member; passed away in 1892)
	Mary G. Tyson (passed away in 1892)	Sarah Kirk
	Mary M. Miller (passed away in 1892)	
	Mary Osborne	
	Mary T. Bond	
	Mary Willis Kirk	
	Rachel E. Gilpin (passed away in 1892)	
	Sarah A. Bond	
	Sarah E. Stabler	
	Sarah H. Stone	
	Sarah T. Miller	

1893 (pages 158-197) The minutes of 1893 span from April 6, 1893 to December 28, 1893. Topics discussed at the meetings included:

- charity and philanthropy (e.g. sewing garments for sufferers of Carolina storms),
- domestic disasters (e.g. Carolina storms),
- faith,
- fashion,
- food preparation and recipes,
- gardening/agriculture/animal husbandry,
- handwork,
- health,
- history,
- housekeeping tips and customs,
- Indians,
- marriage,
- motherhood/child rearing/family life,
- nature,
- old age,
- other religions,
- other social clubs,
- prominent people (e.g. Catherine Booth, Grove Cleveland, Mary Lippincoll(?), Queen Isabelle of Spain, Abraham Lincoln, Lucy Stone, Lewis Carroll, Mary Palmer, Mrs. Minerva Parker Nichols, Edison, Mozart, Betsy Ross, Lady Somerset),
- Quakerism,
- self-improvement (e.g. happiness, kindness),
- technology/manufacturing/industry,
- temperance,
- travel (domestic; e.g. World's Fair, Maine),
- womanhood, and
- women's rights.

<i>Homes</i>	<i>Members</i>	<i>Guests</i>
The Cedars (Ellen Farquhar)	Anna F. Gilpin	Albina O. Stabler
Norwood (Eliza N. Moore)	Anna G. Lea	Anna Stabler
Mount Airy (Sarah T. Miller)	Edith D. Bentley	Beulah Lea
Argyle (Anna G. Lea)	Eliza N. Moore	Cornelia Stabler
Plainfield (Hadasseh J. Moore)	Elizabeth G. Thomas	Elizabeth C. Davis
Sunset (Jane Porter)	Ellen Farquhar	Elizabeth Stabler
Fair Hill (Mary Willis Kirk)	Hadasseh J. Moore	Ellen Stabler
The Cottage (Sarah E. Stabler)	Jane Porter	Ellenor Hough
Sunnyside (Mary Osborne)	Lydia G. Thomas	Florence Wetherald
Cherry Grove (Elizabeth G. Thomas)	Margaret S. Hallowell	Helen Lea
	Martha A. Holland	Kate Janney
	Mary E. Moore	Kate Stabler
	Mary Osborne	Louisa Brooke

	Mary T. Bond	Lucy Stabler
	Mary Willis Kirk	Mary Bentley Thomas
	Sarah A. Bond	Mary Hull
	Sarah E. Stabler	Millie Porter
	Sarah H. Stone	Mrs. Flint
	Sarah T. Miller	Virginia Star

1894 (pages 198-236) The minutes of 1894 span from January 25, 1894 to November 30, 1894. Topics discussed at the meetings included:

- art,
- charity and philanthropy,
- death,
- economy,
- education,
- faith,
- food preparation and recipes,
- foreign places/events/customs (e.g. poppies for opium in China, manner of living in Japan, seven wonders of Corea, domestic life in Corea),
- gardening/agriculture/animal husbandry,
- health,
- housekeeping tips and customs,
- Indians,
- marriage,
- motherhood/child rearing/family life,
- nature,
- old age,
- other social clubs,
- prominent people (e.g. Whittier, Ella Wheeler Wilcox, Napoleon),
- Quakerism,
- self-improvement (e.g. sympathy, cheerfulness, contentment),
- technology/manufacturing/industry,
- temperance,
- travel (domestic; e.g. Paris),
- tributes to deceased members, and
- women's rights.

<i>Homes</i>	<i>Members</i>	<i>Guests</i>
Rosedale (Sarah H. Stone)	Anna F. Gilpin	Albina O. Stabler
Evergreen (Sarah A. Bond)	Anna G. Lea	Belle Hannum
Magnolia (Mary T. Bond)	Edith D. Bentley (passed away in 1894)	Caroline H. Miller
The Cedars (Ellen Farquhar)	Eliza N. Moore	Elizabeth C. Davis
Walnut Hill (Anna F. Gilpin)	Elizabeth G. Thomas	Ellenor Hough
Oak Grove (Margaret S. Hallowell)	Ellen Farquhar	Grace Harvey
Pleasant Grove (Martha A. Holland)	Hadasseh J. Moore	Kate Janney
Fair Hill (Mary Willis Kirk)	Jane Porter	Kate L. Reece
Norwood (Eliza N. Moore)	Lydia G. Thomas	Louisa Brooke
	Margaret S. Hallowell	Lucy Stabler
	Martha A. Holland	M.E. Gilpin
	Mary E. Moore	Maggie Bond
	Mary Osborne	Mary Reese

	Mary T. Bond	Mrs. D?
	Mary Willis Kirk	Mrs. Henry Farquhar
	Sarah A. Bond	Mrs. Patton
	Sarah E. Stabler	
	Sarah H. Stone	
	Sarah T. Miller	

1895 (pages 237-274) The minutes of 1895 span from January 3, 1895 to December 5, 1895. Topics discussed at the meetings included:

- charity and philanthropy,
- death,
- education,
- faith,
- fashion,
- foreign places/events/customs (e.g. Chinese New Year, marriage customs in Japan, sphinx in Egypt, life in China, funerals in Japan and China, catacomb of Paris),
- friendship,
- gardening/agriculture/animal husbandry,
- health,
- history,
- housekeeping tips and customs,
- Indians,
- managing servants,
- motherhood/child rearing/family life,
- nature,
- old age,
- peace,
- prominent people (e.g. John Fletcher, Fredrick Douglass, George Washington, Thomas Jefferson, Peter the Great of Russia),
- Quakerism,
- self-improvement (e.g. purity, trust, love, enjoyment, doing the right thing, cheerfulness),
- technology/manufacturing/industry,
- temperance,
- travel (domestic; e.g. Newport),
- tributes to deceased members, and
- women's rights.

<i>Homes</i>	<i>Members</i>	<i>Guests</i>
Plainfield (Hadasseh J. Moore)	Albina O. Stabler	Annie Stabler
Knollton (Elizabeth C. Davis)	Anna F. Gilpin	Beulah Thomas
Rosedale (Sarah H. Stone)	Anna G. Lea	Caroline H. Miller
Sunset (Jane Porter)	Eliza N. Moore	Carrie H. Brooke
Sunnyside (Mary Osborne)	Elizabeth C. Davis	Dollie Vedder
The Cottage (Sarah E. Stabler)	Elizabeth G. Thomas	Edith Spofford(?)
Cherry Grove (Elizabeth G. Thomas)	Ellen Farquhar	Elizabeth G. Hogg
Evergreen (Sarah A. Bond)	Hadasseh J. Moore	Ellenor Hough
Magnolia (Mary T. Bond)	Harriet J. Bentley	Emma Stabler
The Cedars (Ellen Farquhar)	Jane Porter	Esther Wetherald
	Lydia G. Thomas	Ethel Farquhar
	Margaret S. Hallowell	Florence Stabler
	Martha A. Holland	Lillie E. Kedder

	Mary E. Moore	Elizabeth S. Iddings
	Mary G. Colt	Louisa Brooke
	Mary Osborne	Lydia Thomas
	Mary T. Bond	Mary Bentley Thomas
	Mary Willis Kirk	Mary C. Bentley
	Sarah A. Bond	Miss Bryon
	Sarah E. Stabler	Mrs. Morton Storm(?)
	Sarah H. Stone	Mrs. Teppercoll(?)
	Sarah T. Miller	Pattie Farquhar

1896 (Volume 5: pages 275-288; Volume 6: pages 1-26): The minutes of 1896 span from January 2, 1896 to February 27, 1896 in Volume 5 and March 16, 1896 to October 1896 in Volume 6. Topics discussed at the meetings included:

- charity and philanthropy,
- colored people,
- death,
- domestic places/events/customs (e.g. tenement houses in NYC, Uncle Sam’s cats in post offices, Arlington Institute),
- education,
- faith,
- fashion,
- food preparation and recipes,
- foreign places/events/customs (e.g. Ice Palace in Montreal, mysterious mountain in South America, habits of Arabs),
- friendship,
- gardening/agriculture/animal husbandry,
- health,
- history,
- housekeeping tips and customs,
- Indians,
- managing servants,
- marriage,
- motherhood/child rearing/family life,
- prominent people (e.g. Mary Queen of Scots, Sir Walter Scott, Abraham Lincoln, Whittier, Miles Standish),
- Quakerism,
- self-improvement (e.g. good habits, happiness, no extravagance, contentment, comfort, laughter),
- technology/manufacturing/industry,
- temperance,
- travel (international; e.g. Budapest, Europe, London, St. Petersburg, Moscow, Wales, Germany),
- war,
- womanhood, and
- women’s rights.

<i>Homes</i>	<i>Members</i>	<i>Guests</i>
Wrenwood (Mary G. Colt)	Albina O. Stabler	Alice Stabler
Walnut Hill (Anna F. Gilpin)	Anna F. Gilpin	Anna Bentley Parker
Bloomfield (Hallie Bentley)	Anna G. Lea	Annie D. Stabler
Pleasant Grove (Martha A. Holland)	Eliza N. Moore	Bessie Miller Thomas
Oak Grove (Margaret S. Hallowell)	Elizabeth G. Thomas	Caroline H. Brooke
Fair Hill (Mary Willis Kirk)	Ellen Farquhar	Caroline H. Miller
Mount Airy (Sarah T. Miller)	Hadasseh J. Moore	Carrie L. Brooke
Plainfield (Hadassah J. Moore)	Harriet J. Bentley	Carrie M. Brooke

White Cottage	Jane Porter	Eliza Brooke
Rosedale (Sarah H. Stone)	Lydia G. Thomas	Elizabeth C. Davis
	Margaret S. Hallowell	Ellen Stabler
	Martha A. Holland	Ellenor Hough
	Mary E. Moore	Esther Moore
	Mary G. Colt	F.W. Robertson
	Mary Osborne	Florence Wetherald
	Mary T. Bond	Frances Stabler
	Mary Willis Kirk	Jane Fawett
	Sarah A. Bond	Josephine McDowell
	Sarah E. Stabler	Kate Bradley
	Sarah H. Stone	Kate Janney
	Sarah T. Miller	Lizzie Iddings
		Lizzie Scott
		Lydia T. Hallowell
		Mar(?) S. Miller
		Mary Bentley Thomas
		Mary Magruder
		Mary T. Jackson
		Miss Forest
		Mrs. Jannie(?)
		Mrs. Moore
		Mrs. Spofford
		Nettie Johnson
		Pattie R. Stable
		Sarah Lea
		Sophie Peirce
		Sue L. Thomas

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This volume contains the monthly minutes from March 27, 1896 to February 22, 1900. Forty-three meetings were recorded (551 total).

1897 (pages 27-67): The minutes of 1897 span from January 28, 1897 to December 30, 1897. Topics discussed at the meetings included:

- charity and philanthropy,
- colored people,
- death,
- domestic places/events/customs (e.g. George Republic in New York, farm life in Kansas, ostrich farm in California, Biltmore in Asheville),
- education,
- faith,
- fashion,
- female employment,
- food preparation and recipes,
- foreign places/events/customs (e.g. bell of St. Reges in Canada, Holy man of Benareo in India, Klondike, food found in Egyptian pyramid, silent worship in Bombay, New Year superstitions in Europe and Asia),
- gardening/agriculture/animal husbandry,
- handwork,
- history,
- housekeeping tips and customs,
- Indians,
- marriage,
- motherhood/child rearing/family life,
- nature,
- other religions,
- other social clubs,
- prominent people (e.g. Dr. Mary Walker, Betsey Lee, Sarah T. Rorer, Elizabeth Ross, Francis Scott Key, Miles Standish, Rose Hardrucke Thorne, Martha Washington, Queen Victoria, Duke of Wellington, Florence Nightingale, Thomas Hood, Andrew D. White, Mary A. Silvermore),
- Quakerism,
- self-improvement (e.g. stillness, courage, happiness, hope),
- technology/manufacturing/industry,
- temperance,
- travel (domestic; e.g. mission work in Wilmington, Illinois Yearly Meeting, Mammoth Cave, Nashville Exposition, buffalo),
- travel (international; e.g. Paris, Toronto, Norway, Rome),
- tributes to deceased members,
- war,
- womanhood, and
- women's rights.

<i>Homes</i>	<i>Members</i>	<i>Guests</i>
Cherry Grove (Elizabeth G. Thomas)	Albina O. Stabler	(?) Matthews
Belmont (Mary Bentley Thomas)	Anna F. Gilpin	Agnes Darlington
Evergreen (Sarah A. Bond)	Anna G. Lea	Alice Tyson
Magnolia (Mary T. Bond)	Eliza N. Moore	Alverda Easter
The Cedars (Ellen Farquhar)	Elizabeth G. Thomas	Anna T. Speakman
Pleasant Grove (Martha A. Holland)	Ellen Farquhar	Annie D. Stabler
Oak Grove (Margaret S. Hallowell)	Hadasseh J. Moore (passed away in 1897)	Annie M. Shoemaker
Mount Airy (Sarah T. Miller)	Harriet J. Bentley	Beatrice Tyson
Wrenwood (Mary G. Colt)	Jane Porter (passed away in 1897)	Belle Harmen
Norwood (Eliza N. Moore)	Lydia G. Thomas	Beulah S. Thomas
Plainfield (Mary E. Moore)	Margaret S. Hallowell	Caroline H. Miller
	Martha A. Holland	Carrie L. Brooke
	Mary Bentley Thomas	Carrie S. Bond
	Mary E. Moore	Clara P. Moore
	Mary G. Colt	Cornelia Bentley
	Mary Osborne	Cornelia N. Stabler
	Mary T. Bond	E.B. Farquhar
	Sarah A. Bond	Edith Hallowell
	Sarah E. Stabler	Edward P. Thomas
	Sarah H. Stone	Elizabeth C. Davis
	Sarah T. Miller	Elizabeth T. Stabler
		Ellenor Hough
		Elsie P. Brown
		Emma Jackson
		Esther Wetherald
		Faruey Hallowell
		Florence Bond
		Florence H. Riggs
		Grace Harvey
		Grace Parseley
		Harriet Jackson
		Harriet T. Kirk
		Helen G. Miller
		Helen Stabler
		Hernella Snowden
		Janet M. Palmer
		Kate D. Thomas
		Katherine Thomas
		Louisa Nesbitt
		Mary E. Thomas
		Mary Holland
		Mary Moore Thomas
		Mary Nichols
		Mary P.T. Jackson

	Mary Pope
	Mary Porter
	Mary Reese
	Mary W. Kirk
	Mrs. Phillips
	R.M. Stabler
	Rebecca T. Miller
	S.L. Thomas
	Sarah E. Kirk
	Sarah Needles
	Sarah T. Moore
	Virginia H. Steer
	Virginia M.P. Stabler
	William N. Moore

1898 (pages 67-106): The minutes of 1898 span from January 20, 1898 to November 23, 1898. Topics discussed at the meetings included:

- charity and philanthropy,
- colored people,
- domestic places/events/customs (e.g. settlement of Icelanders on Red River, strange money used in mountains of North Carolina, Biltmore, Chinese Quarter in New York, peanut industry in Suffolk Virginia, cranberry harvest of Cape Cod),
- faith,
- fashion,
- female employment,
- food preparation and recipes,
- foreign places/events/customs (e.g. coronation chair in England, Great Wall of China, vanilla beans in Mexico, marriage customs of Chinese, post office at straits of Magellan, Aleutian Islands),
- gardening/agriculture/animal husbandry,
- handwork,
- health,
- history,
- housekeeping tips and customs,
- Indians,
- marriage,
- motherhood/child rearing/family life,
- nature,
- old age,
- other religions,
- other social clubs,
- peace,
- prominent people (e.g. Joseph Elliot, Raphael, Rebecca Russell, Francis E. Willard, Frederic Tennyson, Gladstone, Helen Keller),
- Quakerism,
- science,
- self-improvement (e.g. beauty, happiness, cheerfulness, trust, love, don't hurry),
- temperance,
- travel (domestic; e.g. Wyoming),
- travel (international; e.g. Sicily),
- war, and
- women's rights.

<i>Homes</i>	<i>Members</i>	<i>Guests</i>
The Cottage (Sarah E. Stabler)	Albina O. Stabler	Alice T. Stabler
Cherry Grove (Elizabeth G. Thomas)	Anna G. Lea	Alice Tyson
Knollton (Elizabeth C. Davis)	Anna F. Gilpin	Anna Mae T. Stabler
Rosedale (Sarah H. Stone)	Eliza N. Moore	Annie Wetherald
Magnolia (Mary T. Bond)	Elizabeth C. Davis	Augusta N. Thomas

Sunnyside (Mary Osborne)	Elizabeth G. Thomas	Beatrice Tyson
Belmont (Mary Bentley Thomas)	Ellen Farquhar	Beulah Thomas
Wrenwood (Mary G. Colt)	Harriet J. Bentley	Caroline H. Miller
Cedar Lawn (Ellen Farquhar)	Lydia G. Thomas	Carrie L. Brooke
Walnut Hill (Anna F. Gilpin)	Margaret S. Hallowell	Carrie M. Brooke
	Martha A. Holland	Catherine Janney
	Mary Bentley Thomas	Catherine Stabler
	Mary E. Gilpin	Cornelia Gover
	Mary E. Moore	Cornelia N. Stabler
	Mary G. Colt	Edith Hallowell
	Mary Osborne	Edith Warfield
	Mary T. Bond	Elizabeth T. Stabler
	Sarah A. Bond	Ella Hartshorne
	Sarah E. Stabler	Ellen Stabler
	Sarah H. Stone	Ellen Thomas
	Sarah T. Miller	Emma Stabler
		Esther Wetherald
		Florence M. Bond
		Frances D. Stabler
		Frances Osborne
		Grace Harvey
		Hannah B. Stabler
		Harriet Jackson
		Harriet Ramsey
		Helen Lea
		Helen R. Shoemaker
		Helen Stabler
		Juliet Barlet
		Kate Bradley
		Kate D. Thomas
		Katherine Brooke
		Louisa Nesbitt
		Louisa T. Brooke
		Lucy Miller
		Margaret B. Magruder
		Margaret Bond
		Margaret G.T. Moore
		Mariana S. Miller
		Martha S. Townsend
		Mary A. Gilpin
		Mary E. Thomas
		Mary Magruder
		Mary Muncaster
		Mary P.T. Jackson
		Mrs. Christian
		Mrs. Clarke

		Mrs. Lippincort
		Mrs. Phillips
		Mrs. Sead(?)
		Nellie Vedder
		Pattie I. Farquhar
		Rose M. Gilpin
		Sarah Beacham
		Sarah J. Moore
		Sarah M. Hallowell
		Sophia Peirce
		Sue L. Thomas

1899 (pages 106-139): The minutes of 1899 span from February 25, 1899 to November 23, 1899. Topics discussed at the meetings included:

- charity and philanthropy,
- colored people,
- death,
- domestic places/events/customs (e.g. pearl fisheries, Iron Mt. Co. of Missouri),
- education,
- faith,
- fashion,
- food preparation and recipes,
- food preservation,
- foreign places/events/customs (e.g. Araucanians in Chile, recent Egyptian civilization, Johannesburg),
- gardening/agriculture/animal husbandry,
- health,
- history,
- housekeeping tips and customs,
- Indians,
- managing servants,
- marriage,
- motherhood/child rearing/family life,
- nature,
- old age,
- other social clubs,
- prominent people (e.g. Empress of China, Mark Twain, Helen Keller, Susan B. Anthony, Frederic Douglass, David Harum, Whittier, Edison),
- self-improvement (e.g. hope, don't worry, sincerity, happiness, kindness),
- social justice,
- technology/manufacturing/industry,
- travel (domestic; e.g. California, Niagara, Watkins Glen),
- travel (international; e.g. Norway, Switzerland),
- tributes to deceased members,
- war, and
- women's rights.

<i>Homes</i>	<i>Members</i>	<i>Guests</i>
Pleasant Grove (Martha A. Holland)	Albina O. Stabler	Alice Stabler
Oak Grove (Margaret S. Hallowell)	Anna F. Gilpin	Alice Tyson
Mount Airy (Sarah T. Miller)	Eliza N. Moore	Anne Bell Higgins
Norwood (Eliza N. Moore)	Elizabeth C. Davis	Bessie Miller Wight
Plainfield (Mary E. Moore)	Elizabeth G. Thomas	Caroline H. Miller
Rosedale (Sarah H. Stone)	Ellen Farquhar	
The Cottage (Sarah E. Stabler)	Louisa T. Brooke	Carrie Janney

Pleasant View (Virginia Steer)	Lydia G. Thomas (passed away in 1899)	Carrie S. Bond
Sunnyside (Mary Osborne)	Margaret S. Hallowell	Carrie S. Brooke
Cherry Grove (Elizabeth G. Thomas)	Martha A. Holland	Clara A. Moore
	Mary Bentley Thomas	Cornelia N. Stabler
	Mary E. Gilpin	Eliza Brooke
	Mary E. Moore	Elizabeth Bond
	Mary G. Colt	Elizabeth Scott
	Mary Osborne	Elizabeth T. Stabler
	Mary T. Bond	Emma Stabler
	Sarah A. Bond	Emma Waters
	Sarah E. Stabler	Fanny Snowden
	Sarah H. Stone	Florence Bond
	Sarah T. Miller	Grace Harvey
	Virginia Steer	Hannah B. Brooke
		Hannah B. Stabler
		Harriet Kirk
		Helen Lea
		Helen Shoemaker
		Julia Palmer
		Lillie Stabler
		Louisa Warfield
		Margaret B. Magruder
		Margaret G.T. Moore
		Marianna Brown
		Marianne Miller
		Mary A. Gilpin
		Mary E. Gilpin
		Mary H. Stabler
		Mary Magruder
		Mary P.T. Jackson
		Mrs. Deeble(?)
		Mrs. Edward Turner
		Mrs. Gambrell
		Mrs. Jackson
		Pattie R. Stabler
		Pattie T. Farquhar
		Rebecca T.M. Stabler
		Sarah R. Janney
		Sarah T. Moore
		Virginia Herves

1900 (Volume 6: pages 139-148; Volume 7: pages 7-24): The minutes of 1900 span from January 20, 1900 to February 22, 1900 in Volume 6 and March 29, 1900 to October 25, 1900 in Volume 7. Topics discussed at the meetings included:

- charity and philanthropy,
- colored people,
- education,
- faith,
- female employment,
- food preparation and recipes,
- foreign places/events/customs (e.g. manufacture of Turkish rugs, famine in India, Christians of China),
- gardening/agriculture/animal husbandry,
- health,
- housekeeping tips and customs,
- marriage,
- motherhood/child rearing/family life,
- nature,
- other social clubs,
- other religions,
- peace,
- prominent people (e.g. Florence Nightingale, Lincoln, Tennyson, Queen Victoria, Marie Corelli),
- self-improvement (e.g. patience, happiness, don't worry),
- technology/manufacturing/industry,
- travel (domestic; e.g. Norfolk to see solar eclipse, Blue Ridge Summit),
- travel (international; e.g. Italy, Mexico),
- womanhood, and
- women's rights.

<i>Homes</i>	<i>Members</i>	<i>Guests</i>
Belmont (Mary Bentley Thomas)	Albina O. Stabler	Alice G. Stabler
Magnolia (Mary T. Bond)	Anna F. Gilpin	Alice T. Stabler
Knollton (Elizabeth C. Davis)	Anna G. Lea	Anne Lea
Wrenwood (Mary G. Colt)	Eliza N. Moore	Annie M. Shoemaker
Brooke Place (Louisa Brooke)	Elizabeth C. Davis	Annie Wetherald
Cedar Lawn (Ellen Farquhar)	Elizabeth G. Thomas	Bessie Thom
Walnut Hill (Anna F. Gilpin)	Ellen Farquhar	Callie Lea
Avalon (Mary E. Gilpin)	Harriet J. Bentley	Caroline Bond
Pleasant Grove (Martha A. Holland)	Louisa T. Brooke	Caroline H. Brooke
	Margaret S. Hallowell (passed away in 1900)	Caroline H. Miller
	Martha A. Holland	Carrie L. Brooke
	Mary Bentley Thomas	Catherine Janney
	Mary E. Gilpin	Cornelia Gover
	Mary E. Moore	Cornelia N. Stabler
	Mary G. Colt	Eliza Stabler

	Mary Osborne	Elizabeth Stabler
	Mary T. Bond	Ellen Stabler
	Sarah E. Stabler	Emilie Massey
	Sarah H. Stone	Esther Wetherald
	Sarah T. Miller	Ethel McKay
	Virginia Steer	Florence Wetherald
		Hannah B. Stabler
		Harriet Haines
		Harriet Harris
		Harriet Kirk
		Helena Moore
		Isabel Miller
		Kate D. Thomas
		Kate Stabler
		Katherine Gilpin
		Louisa Brooke
		Louisa Nesbitt
		Lydia Haviland
		Maria Willis
		Marian Taturn
		Martha Reese
		Martha Vickers
		Mary P.T. Jackson
		Mary Tilton
		Miss Ball
		Miss. Baldwin
		Miss. Schermerhorn
		Mrs. Granville Farquhar
		Mrs. Higgins
		Mrs. Jackson
		Mrs. Jas. P. Stabler
		Mrs. Massey
		Nellie Hartshorne
		Pattie R. Stabler
		Sadie Haviland
		Sallie Turner Janney
		Sally Brooke
		Sarah Bond
		Sophia Robinson
		Susannah L. Thomas
		Virginia Stabler

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This volume contains the monthly minutes from March 29, 1900 to May 4, 1905. Fifty-one meetings were recorded (602 total).

1901 (pages 25-54): The minutes of 1901 span from January 22, 1901 to October 24, 1901. Topics discussed at the meetings included:

- charity and philanthropy,
- colored people,
- death,
- domestic places/events/customs (e.g. salt works in Syracuse, New York, ruins in Phoenix, Arizona),
- education,
- faith,
- fashion,
- female employment,
- food preservation,
- foreign places/events/customs (e.g. Philipinos, geysers in New Zealand, lace making by Russian peasants, women physicians in Russia, Equatorville, experiments at oxygen hospital in London),
- friendship,
- gardening/agriculture/animal husbandry,
- health,
- history,
- housekeeping tips and customs,
- Indians,
- managing, servants,
- motherhood/child rearing/family life,
- nature,
- old age,
- other social clubs,
- other religions,
- prominent people (e.g. Queen Victoria, Helen Keller, Belle Kearney, Queen Alexandra, Booker T. Washington, Anna Robertson),
- self-improvement (e.g. happiness, cheerfulness, enjoyment),
- technology/manufacturing/industry,
- temperance,
- travel (domestic; e.g. Pan-American Exposition, Niagara, Pacific Coast),
- travel (international; e.g. Edinburgh, Denmark, Russia, Alaska), and
- women's rights.

<i>Homes</i>	<i>Members</i>	<i>Guests</i>
Argyle (Anna G. Lea)	Albina O. Stabler	Alice Boonre(?)
Eldere (Harriet Lea)	Anna F. Gilpin	Alice Tyson
Evergreen (Sarah A. Bond)	Anna G. Lea	Amy P. Miller
Mount Airy (Sarah T. Miller)	Caroline L. Brooke	Anna Bentley

Plainfield (Mary E. Moore)	Eliza N. Moore	August N. Thomas
Norwood (Eliza N. Moore)	Elizabeth C. Davis	Beulah Lea
Sunnyside (Mary Osborne)	Elizabeth G. Thomas	Carrie S. Bond
Rosedale (Sarah H. Stone)	Ellen Farquhar	Catherine Thomas
The Cottage (Sarah E. Stabler)	Harriet J. Bentley	Clara Chalfonte
Pleasant View Farm (Virginia Steer)	Harriet Lea	Clara Moore
	Louisa T. Brooke	Cornelia Bentley
	Martha A. Holland	Cornelia Miller Stabler
	Mary Bentley Thomas	Cornelia Nichols Stabler
	Mary E. Gilpin	D(?) Dressler
	Mary E. Moore	Dollie E. Vedder
	Mary G. Colt	Edith Hallowell
	Mary Osborne	Elizabeth Iddings
	Mary T. Bond	Elizabeth Lea
	Sarah E. Stabler	Ellen Stabler
	Sarah H. Stone	Emilie Massey
	Sarah T. Miller	Emma E. Bond
	Virginia Steer	Esther Wetherald
		Fanny Snowden
		Florence Wetherald
		Grace Harvey
		Hallie Lea
		Hannah Stabler
		Harriet Harris
		Helen Lea
		Julia Colt
		Leah Ostler
		Lizzie Bond
		Lizzie Wilcox
		Lydia Haviland
		Lydia T. Hallowell
		Madge Moore
		Martha Vickies
		Mary C. Bentley
		Mary Muncaster
		Mary Porter
		Mrs. Carr
		Mrs. Haslup
		Mrs. Jackson
		Mrs. Shoemaker
		Pattie Farquhar
		Rebecca Stabler
		Rebecca T. Miller
		Sarah A. Bond
		Sallie E. Taylor
		Sarah Moore

		Sarah Wilcox
		Sophia Peirce
		Sue L. Thomas
		Temperance Gover
		Virginia Stabler

1902 (pages 54-98): The minutes of 1902 span from January 2, 1902 to December 26, 1902. Topics discussed at the meetings included:

- charity and philanthropy,
- colored people,
- domestic places/events/customs (e.g. George Junior Republic in New York, tree in Sierra Nevada),
- education,
- faith,
- fashion,
- food preparation and recipes,
- foreign places/events/customs (e.g. immensity of Siberia, legends of the Philippine Isles, lily fields in Bermuda, habits of Japanese women, extraordinary villages around the world),
- friendship,
- gardening/agriculture/animal husbandry,
- handwork,
- health and exercise,
- history,
- Indians,
- marriage,
- motherhood/child rearing/family life,
- nature,
- old age,
- other social clubs,
- other religions,
- peace,
- prominent people (e.g. Henry Harkhome, Whittier, Queen of Holland, Phillipps Brooke, Alice Freeman Palmer),
- science,
- self-improvement (e.g. truth, thankfulness, politeness),
- technology/manufacturing/industry,
- transportation,
- travel (international; e.g. Egypt, Mexico, Philippines),
- tributes to deceased members,
- war,
- womanhood, and
- women's rights.

<i>Homes</i>	<i>Members</i>	<i>Guests</i>
Cherry Grove (Elizabeth G. Thomas)	Albina O. Stabler	Alice F. Stabler
Belmont (Mary Bentley Thomas)	Anna F. Gilpin	Alice Miller
Magnolia (Mary T. Bond)	Anna M. Shoemaker	Anna Van B. Bentley
Brooke Place (Louisa T. Brooke)	Caroline L. Brooke	Annie Hough
Walbrooke (Caroline L. Brooke)	Eliza N. Moore	Annie M. Chandlee
Wrenwood (Mary G. Colt)	Elizabeth C. Davis	Catherine Beall

Knollton (Elizabeth C. Davis)	Elizabeth G. Thomas	Catherine D. Thomas
Cedars (Ellen Farquhar)	Ellen Farquhar	Cornelia Bentley
Avalon (Mary E. Gilpin)	Harriet J. Bentley	Dollie E. Vedder
	Harriet Lea	Elizabeth S. Iddings
	Louisa T. Brooke	Elizabeth T. Stabler
	Martha A. Holland	Emilie T. Massey
	Mary Bentley Thomas	Estelle Moore
	Mary G. Colt	Esther Appletone
	Mary E. Moore	Eva Gilpin
	Mary E. Gilpin	Fanny Snowden
	Mary Osborne (passed away in 1902)	Florence Bentley
	Mary T. Bond	Florence Wetherald
	Sarah E. Stabler	Hallie J. Bentley
	Sarah H. Stone	Hallie T. Lea
	Sarah T. Miller	Hannah B. Stabler
	Virginia Steer	Harriet Lea
		Helen Shoemaker
		Kate Janney
		Lottie Farquhar
		Lucy Davis
		Lydia Haviland
		Margaret C. Baucroft
		Margaret Magruder
		Mary Bentley
		Mary E. Thomas
		Mary Gilpin
		Mary Janney
		Mary Moore Tilton
		Mary Potter
		Mary T. Jackson
		Mary T. Kirk
		May Tatum
		Minnie Featherstone
		Nellie Hartshorne
		Pattie T. Farquhar
		Rose Gilpin
		Sarah A. Bond
		Sue L. Thomas

1903 (pages 98-145): The minutes of 1903 span from January 29, 1903 to December 3, 1903. Topics discussed at the meetings included:

- charity and philanthropy,
- colored people,
- domestic places/events/customs (e.g. Arcadian Islands, St. Louis exposition, Grand Canyon),
- economy,
- faith,
- food preparation and recipes,
- food preservation,
- foreign places/events/customs (e.g. London slums, “slot machines” in London, Chinese minister, graveyards in Brittany, Chinese proverbs about women, library in Spain),
- gardening/agriculture/animal husbandry,
- handwork,
- health and exercise,
- history,
- housekeeping tips and customs,
- Indians,
- managing servants,
- nature,
- old age,
- other religions,
- other social clubs,
- prominent people (e.g. Phillips Brooke, Lucretia Mott), Emerson, Jessie Benton Fremont, Dean Stanley, Francis Scott Key),
- science,
- self-improvement (e.g. sympathy, truthfulness, happiness, courtesy, politeness),
- technology/manufacturing/industry,
- travel (domestic, e.g. New Orleans, California, New Jersey, Rappahannock, Nebraska, New York),
- travel (international; e.g. Bermuda, New Zealand, London, Philippines), and
- women’s rights.

<i>Homes</i>	<i>Members</i>	<i>Guests</i>
Pleasant View (Martha A. Holland)	Albina O. Stabler	Alice Tyson
Plainfield (Mary E. Moore)	Alice Tyson	Amelia Porter
Rosedale (Sarah H. Stone)	Anna F. Gilpin	Annabelle Pax
The Cottage (Sarah E. Stabler)	Anna M. Shoemaker	Annie Beall Higgins
Pleasant View (Virginia Steer)	Caroline L. Brooke	Annie Lea
Sunnyside (Albina O. Stabler)	Eliza N. Moore	Beatrice Tyson
Belmont (Mary Bentley Thomas)	Elizabeth C. Davis	Caroline H. Miller
Wrenwood (Mary G. Colt)	Elizabeth G. Thomas	Caroline B. Scott
Magnolia (Mary T. Bond)	Ellen Farquhar	Cornelia Bentley
	Harriet Lea	Dora Moore
	Louisa T. Brooke	Edith B. Farquhar
	Martha A. Holland	Elizabeth C. Rumford

	Mary Bentley Thomas	Elizabeth S. Iddings
	Mary E. Gilpin	Elizabeth Scott
	Mary E. Moore	Elizabeth Stabler
	Mary G. Colt	Elizabeth Tatum
	Mary T. Bond	Emilie Massey
	Sarah E. Stabler	Emma Bond
	Sarah H. Stone	Estelle Moore
	Sarah T. Miller	Faith Farquhar
	Virginia Steer	Fanny Snowden
		Florence Bentley
		Florence Snowden
		Hannah Stabler
		Harriet Haines
		Harriet Kirk
		Isabel Miller
		Isabel Russell
		Janet Miller
		Kate T. Thomas
		Katherine Gambrill
		Katherine Janney
		Lily B. Stabler
		Lucy Miller
		Lydia Haviland
		Maria T. Willis
		Marnie M. Thomas
		Martha R. Stabler
		Mary A. Gilpin
		Mary B. Gilpin
		Mary E. Thomas
		Mary Janney
		Mary P.T. Jackson
		Mary Scott
		Mary Willis Farquhar
		Miss Amos
		Miss. Freeman
		Mrs. Canby
		Mrs. Chiffelle
		Mrs. H.C. Smith
		Mrs. Leech
		Mrs. Relyea
		Mrs. Samuel Scott
		Mrs. Smith
		Pattie T. Farquhar
		Rebecca Miller
		Rebecca Stabler
		Sallie E. Taylor

		Sallie Randolph Miller
		Sarah A. Bond
		Sarah Moore Adams
		Virginia Stabler

1904 (pages 145-183): The minutes of 1904 span from February 6, 1904 to October 1, 1904. The minutes for the meeting on December 15, 1904 are in Volume 8 from pages 27-30. Topics discussed at the meetings included:

- charity and philanthropy,
- death,
- domestic places/events/customs (e.g. immense trees in California, Mount Pelé, International Peace Conference in Boston, customs of Easter Day, Jewish quarter in New York City, money in Kentucky mountains, World’s Fair, commonwealth of women in Laurel),
- education,
- faith,
- fashion,
- female employment,
- food preparation and recipes,
- foreign places/events/customs (e.g. babies in Japan, bird city in Sandwich Isles, tin in Alaska),
- gardening/agriculture/animal husbandry,
- handwork,
- health,
- history,
- housekeeping tips and customs,
- Indians,
- managing servants,
- motherhood/child rearing/family life,
- nature,
- old age,
- other social clubs,
- peace,
- prominent people (e.g. Dean Stanley, mayor of Toledo, Bishop of Canterbury, George and Martha Washington),
- Quakerism,
- science,
- self-improvement (e.g. happiness, cheerfulness, humbleness),
- social justice,
- technology/manufacturing/industry,
- temperance,
- travel (domestic, e.g. trolley trip from New York to Boston, Maine),
- travel (international; e.g. Philippines),
- war,
- womanhood, and
- women’s rights.

<i>Homes</i>	<i>Members</i>	<i>Guests</i>
Brooke Place (Louisa T. Brooke)	Albina O. Stabler	Alice Tyson
Cedar Lawn (Ellen Farquhar)	Anna F. Gilpin	Amelia Potter
Walnut Hill (Anna F. Gilpin)	Anna M. Shoemaker	Anna Van B. Bentley

Alloway (Annie M. Shoemaker)	Caroline L. Brooke	Annie Kirk
Avalon (Mary E. Gilpin)	Eliza N. Moore	Annie McDowell
Pleasant Grove (Martha A. Holland)	Elizabeth G. Thomas	Carrie Bond
Mount Airy (Sarah T. Miller)	Ellen Farquhar	Carrie M. Brooke
Norwood (Eliza N. Moore)	Harriet Lea	Catherine Janney
	Louisa T. Brooke	Clara A. Moore
	Martha A. Holland	Clara Janney
	Mary Bentley Thomas	Cornelia M. Stabler
	Mary E. Gilpin	Deborah Reese
	Mary E. Moore	Dollie E. Vedder
	Mary G. Colt	Dora A. Moore
	Mary T. Bond	Edith Elbry
	Sarah E. Stabler	Elizabeth Rumford
	Sarah H. Stone	Elizabeth S. Iddings
	Sarah T. Miller	Elizabeth Stabler
	Virginia Steer	Elizabeth Tatum
		Ellen Stabler
		Emilie T. Coulter
		Emma Bond
		Emma Stabler
		Estelle Moore
		Ethel Thompson
		Eugenia Amos
		Eva Gilpin
		Fanny Snowden
		Fanny Turnbull
		Florence Hallowell
		Florence Wetherald
		Mrs. H.C. Smith
		Hannah B. Stabler
		Hannah Brooke
		Harriet Jackson
		Harriet Kirk
		Helen B. Lea
		Helen Shoemaker
		Helen Thomas
		Ida Sullivan
		India Downey
		Isabelle Fussell
		Janet Miller
		Julia Hallowell
		Kate Thomas
		Katherine Brooke
		Laura Shoemaker
		Lillie Stabler
		Lizzie Bond

	Lizzie Wilson
	Lottie Farquhar
	Lydia Haviland
	Mamie Thomas
	Margaret G.T. Moore
	Margaret Logan
	Margaret Magruder
	Marian Tatum
	Marianna Miller
	Mary G. Colt
	Mary P.T. Jackson
	Mary Willis Farquhar
	Mrs. Rabea
	Mrs. Dow
	Mrs. Knip
	Mrs. Nichols
	Mrs. Pax
	Mrs. Reese
	Olivia Linsey
	Pattie Farquhar
	Pattie R. Stabler
	Rebecca T. Miller
	Rebecca T. Stabler
	Sarah A. Bond
	Sarah Bond
	Sarah H. Bond
	Sarah Kirk
	Sue L. Thomas
	Susan Duck
	Susannah Thomas
	Virginia Stabler

1905 (Volume 7: pages 184-199; Volume 8: 3-34): The minutes of 1905 span from January 12, 1905 to May 4, 1905 in Volume 7 and from May 25, 1905 to December 1, 1905. Topics discussed at the meetings included:

- charity and philanthropy,
- domestic places/events/customs (e.g. colossal cave in Kentucky, Shaker Peace Conference),
- education,
- faith,
- fashion,
- female employment,
- food preparation and recipes,
- foreign places/events/customs (e.g. mud huts in Japan, Russia, toy manufacturing in Germany, pygmies in Africa, library in Paris, Americans in China),
- friendship,
- gardening/agriculture/animal husbandry,
- handwork,
- health,
- history,
- housekeeping tips and customs,
- Indians,
- marriage,
- motherhood/child rearing/family life,
- nature,
- old age,
- other religions,
- peace,
- prominent people (e.g. Theodore Cuyler, Helen Keller, Martin Luther, Burbank, Count Bertrand),
- science,
- self-improvement (e.g. contentment, simplicity, happiness, sympathy, tranquility, laughter, love),
- technology/manufacturing/industry,
- temperance,
- transportation,
- travel (domestic, e.g. Portland, Yellowstone Park, New Mexico),
- travel (international; e.g. Australia, Azores, Gibraltar, Tangier, Cadiz, Japan, Italy, Holland, Alaska),
- womanhood, and
- women's rights.

<i>Homes</i>	<i>Members</i>	<i>Guests</i>
Walbrooke (Caroline L. Brooke)	Albina O. Stabler	Alice Tyson
The Cottage (Sarah E. Stabler)	Anna F. Gilpin	Anna G. Lea
Sunnyside (Albina O. Stabler)	Caroline L. Brooke	Beatrix Rumford
Belmont (Mary Bentley Thomas)	Eliza N. Moore	Belle Hannum
Rosedale (Sarah H. Stone)	Elizabeth C. Davis	Bessie Dinsmore

Magnolia (Mary T. Bond)	Elizabeth G. Thomas	Caroline S. Bond
Plainfield (Mary E. Moore)	Ellen Farquhar	Carrie Bond
Walnut Hill (Anna F. Gilpin)	Harriet J. Bentley	Carrie Taylor
	Harriet Lea	Catherine Thomas
	Louisa T. Brooke	Cornelia M. Stabler
	Martha A. Holland	Cornelia N. Stabler
	Mary Bentley Thomas	Elinor Simmonds
	Mary E. Gilpin	Elizabeth S. Iddings
	Mary E. Moore	Elizabeth Stabler
	Mary G. Colt	Elizabeth Tatum
	Mary T. Bond	Ellen Stabler
	Sarah E. Stabler	Ellen Thomas
	Sarah H. Stone	Emilie Coulter
	Sarah T. Miller	Emilie T. Massey
	Sarah F. Wilson	Emma Bond
	Virginia Steer	Estelle Moore
		Ethel Thompson
		Fanny Snowden
		Florence Bond
		Frances Stabler
		Hallie Bentley
		Hannah B. Brooke
		Hannah B. Stabler
		Harriet Jackson
		Helen Farquhar
		Helen Lea
		Helen Miller
		Helen Shoemaker
		Helen Stabler
		Helen Thomas
		Hulda Janney
		Isabel Fussell
		Janet Miller
		Katherine Thomas
		Lena Stabler
		Lillie Stabler
		Lizzie Hogg
		Lizzie Wilson
		Lottie Farquhar
		Lucille Levick
		Lydia Haviland
		M. Edith Farquhar
		Madge F.T. Moore
		Mamie Thomas
		Margaret B. Magruder
		Margaret Bancroft

	Margaret G.T. Moore
	Margaret Lipponcott
	Mariam Stabler
	Martha Vickers
	Mary A. Gilpin
	Mary C. Bentley
	Mary E. Thomas
	Mary P.T. Jackson
	Mary Potter
	Mary S. Booth
	Mary Tatum
	Mary W. Farquhar
	Minnie Iddings
	Miss Freeborn
	Miss Gittings
	Miss. Hough
	Mrs. Hickock
	Mrs. Freeland
	Mrs. H.C. Smith
	Mrs. Hill
	Mrs. Otto Simon
	Mrs. Page
	Mrs. Taylor
	Mrs. Wilson
	Nellie Hartshorne
	Pattie F. Farquhar
	Pattie T. Farquhar
	Perle Thomas
	Rebecca Hollingsworth
	Rebecca T. Miller
	Sarah A. Bond
	Sarah M. Hallowell
	Sue Thomas

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This volume contains the monthly minutes from May 25, 1905 to December 31, 1909. Forty meetings recorded (643 total). **Note: This finding aid only covers the first 50 years, so the last meeting documented in 1907 is in May.**

1906 (pages 40-73): The minutes of 1906 span from February 22, 1906 to November 29, 1906. Topics discussed at the meetings included:

- colored people,
- death,
- domestic places/events/customs (e.g. social settlement for millionaires in Chicago, schools in southern Delaware, town-crier in Nantucket, meteorite in Arizona, trees in California),
- education,
- faith,
- fashion,
- food preparation and recipes,
- foreign places/events/customs (e.g. China, recycling in Germany, bridge near Victoria Falls, India, Muslim women, Syria),
- friendship,
- gardening/agriculture/animal husbandry,
- handwork,
- health,
- history,
- housekeeping tips and customs,
- Indians,
- managing servants,
- marriage,
- motherhood/child rearing/family life,
- nature,
- other social clubs,
- prominent people (e.g. Marshall Field, George Washington, Susan B. Anthony, Charles Wagner, Jerry Black McCauley, Anne Hamilton Downell, Sarah Wentworth, Paul Lawrence Dunbar),
- Quakerism,
- science,
- self-improvement (e.g. success, politeness, silence, cheerfulness),
- social justice,
- technology/manufacturing/industry,
- temperance,
- transportation,
- travel (domestic, e.g. Swarthmore, Lake George),
- travel (international; e.g. Sicily, Italy, Spain, Canada, Japan),
- tributes to deceased members,
- womanhood, and
- women's rights.

<i>Homes</i>	<i>Members</i>	<i>Guests</i>
Avalon (Mary E. Gilpin)	Albina O. Stabler	Amy Warfield
Pleasant Grove (Martha A. Holland)	Anna F. Gilpin	Anna F. Brooke
Mount Airy (Sarah T. Miller)	Caroline L. Brooke	Anna G. Lea
Plainfield (Mary E. Moore)	Eliza N. Moore	Anna Heacock
Roslyn (Helen S. Stabler)	Elizabeth C. Davis	Annie Frost Brown
Knollton (Elizabeth C. Davis)	Ellen Farquhar	Belle Harmmon
Sunnyside (Mary Osborne)	Harriet Lea	Caroline Bond
	Louisa T. Brooke	Catherine Janney
	Martha A. Holland	Clara Moore
	Mary Bentley Thomas	Cornelia Stabler
	Mary E. Gilpin	Edith B. Farquhar
	Mary E. Moore (passed away in 1906)	Eleanor Brooke
	Mary G. Colt	Eliza Brooke
	Mary T. Bond	Eliza E. Farquhar
	Sarah E. Stabler	Elizabeth Hoff
	Sarah F. Wilson	Elizabeth Scott
	Sarah H. Stone (passed away in 1906)	Elizabeth T. Stabler
	Sarah T. Miller	Elizabeth Tatum
	Virginia Steer	Ella Brown
		Ella Moore
		Emilie Coulter
		Emilie T. Massey
		Emilie Turnbull
		Emma L. Bond
		Estelle T. Moore
		Ethel Townsend
		Eugenia Fawcett
		Eva S. Gilpin
		Fannie B. Snowden
		Florence Bond
		Florence Wetherald
		Hannah B. Stabler
		Helen G. Miller
		Ida Stabler
		India Downey
		Isabel Townsend
		Kate Thomas
		Katherine Brooke
		Katherine Thomas
		Lillie B. Stabler
		Lucy O. Lea
		Lydia Haviland
		M.B. Magruder
		Mannie Thomas
		Margaret G.T. Moore

	Margaret Jones
	Marian Tatum
	Marion Farquhar
	Mary A. Gilpin
	Mary Farquhar
	Mary Janney
	Mary P.T. Jackson
	Mary Scott
	Mary Warfield
	Miss Cross
	Miss Freebourne
	Miss Young
	Mrs. Brigham
	Mrs. Erray
	Mrs. Geo. Banes
	Mrs. H.C. Smith
	Mrs. Heines
	Mrs. Shelton
	Mrs. Shipley
	Mrs. Taylor
	Nellie Hartshorne
	Pattie T. Farquhar
	Rebecca Stabler
	Rebecca T. Miller
	Rose Hess
	Sarah A. Bond
	Sarah E. Kirk
	Sarah T. Adams
	Sophie Robinson
	Virginia Stabler

1907 (pages 74-147): The minutes of 1907 span from January 3, 1907 to December 26, 1907. This finding aid only goes until May 1907, so it does not cover the rest of 1907 (pages 74-117). Topics discussed at the meetings included:

- charity and philanthropy,
- child labor,
- colored people,
- domestic places/events/customs (e.g. Death Valley),
- education,
- faith,
- fashion,
- female employment,
- food preparation and recipes,
- foreign places/events/customs (e.g. exploration near Amazon, New Years Mass on French beaches, women in Japan, lake villages in Africa),
- gardening/agriculture/animal husbandry,
- history,
- housekeeping tips and customs,
- motherhood/child rearing/family life,
- nature,
- prominent people (e.g. Emilie Blackwell, Josephine Butler, Russel H. Cornwell, Mark Twain, Louisa M. Alcott, Joseph Jefferson, Mrs. Russell Sage),
- science,
- self-improvement (e.g. cheerfulness),
- social justice,
- temperance,
- travel (domestic, e.g. southern California),
- travel (international; e.g. Hawaii, Philippines, Japan, Bermuda), and
- women's rights.

<i>Homes</i>	<i>Members</i>	<i>Guests</i>
The Cottage (Sarah E. Stabler)	Albina O. Stabler	Anna G. Lea
Belmont (Mary Bentley Thomas)	Alice Tyson	Caroline S. Bond
Marden (Alice Tyson)	Annabelle O. Page	Elizabeth Canby
Magnolia (Mary T. Bond)	Anna F. Gilpin	Elizabeth Gilpin
Longmeade (Sarah F. Wilson)	Caroline L. Brooke	Elizabeth M. Taylor
Norwood (Eliza N. Moore)	Eliza N. Moore	Elizabeth S. Iddings
	Elizabeth C. Davis	Elizabeth T. Stabler
	Ellen Farquhar	Emilie T. Massey
	Estelle Moore	Emma T. Stabler
	Harriet J. Bentley	Eugenia Fawett
	Harriet Lea	Fannie B. Snowden
	Helen S. Stabler	Florence Bond
	Louisa T. Brooke	Florence Wetherald
	Martha A. Holland	Frances Stabler

	Mary Bentley Thomas	Hallie C. Bentley
	Mary E. Gilpin	Hannah B. Stabler
	Mary G. Colt	Helen R. Shoemaker
	Mary T. Bond	Helen Wetherald
	Pattie Farquhar	Kate D. Thomas
	Sarah E. Stabler	Kate D. Thomas
	Sarah F. Wilson	Katie Thomas
	Sarah T. Miller	Lillie Stabler
	Virginia Steer	Mannie Thomas
		Margaret Bancroft
		Margaret G.T. Moore
		Mariana Miller
		Mariana S. Miller
		Mary Coffin Brooke
		Mary G. Moore
		Mary P.T. Jackson
		Nellie Hartshorne
		Olive Gilpin
		Rebecca T. Miller
		Rebecca T. Stabler

On May 29, 1907, the group held a meeting that commemorated the 50 years that the group had been meeting. This meeting was held a Norwood, home of Eliza N. Moore. At this meeting:

- Edith D. Bentley painted satin badges with a pair of clasped hands and inscriptions on each side, "Sherwood 1857" and "Norwood 1907."
- Eliza Moore read reminiscences of first meeting in 1857. She had been present as a young girl to help wait on the table. She reflected on the simpler life at the time.
- Letters from members who could not attend were shared.
- Hope for the future of the group to extend another 50 years, with descendants of the group still members.
- Harriet J. Bentley read an original poem.
- Katherine L. Brooke sang two songs.
- Mary Bentley Thomas (secretary) read a history of the Association.



Association - 50th Anniversary - 1907
at Wrenwood

Back row: - Alice Peice, Fanny Lea, ^{Bidwellson} Elizabeth Ludwig,
Eva Gilpin, Fannie Snowden, Carrie Brooke

2nd row: - Mrs. Brigham, H. J. Bentley, Jennie Steer

Second row: - Mary Jackson, a guest, Hallie Lea,
Sarah Stabler, E. B. Moore, A. Tyson,
Mary E. Gilpin, Mary Coit

Front row: - M. B. Thomas, Mrs. Page, Martha Holland,
S. E. Peice, Ellen Ferguson, Mary Bond

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