

Cincinnati Sept. 1. 1872

A meeting of the Board of Trustees was held this evening.  
Pres. Julius Freiberg in the chair.

There were present also at the meeting Messrs. A. Kahn,  
A. Abraham, Sam. Kaufman, Sol. Kaufman, Chas.  
Kahn Jr. Isaac Lowman, Jas. Lowman, J. Beaumont,  
J. Judah, and A. Goodheart.

The minutes of last meeting were read and approved.

The Pres. stated the business of the meeting was to consider  
a proposition that had been made in reference to abolishing  
the services of the second day of Rosh Hashana, and in  
connection with which he had requested Dr. Lilienthal to  
give his views on the subject in writing, and he presented the  
following letter from the Dr. which was on motion received  
and ordered on the minutes.

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To the Pres. Officers and Trustees of Mount St. Temple  
Gentlemen

The holidays in Tishri are fast approach-  
ing and hence I beg to submit for your consideration  
the question whether it would be advisable to abolish the  
second day of Rosh Hashana.

Our Congregation has abolished the second, the Rabbinical  
holiday of all our festivals except that of Rosh Hashana.  
This day was formerly retained on account of the manner  
in which the holy days were promulgated by the authori-  
ties in Jerusalem, the news of which proclamation could  
not reach in proper time the distant congregations. But  
these authorities have been abolished long ago, and we  
now celebrate our holidays according to correct astronomi-  
cal calculations.

Thus falling back upon the authority of the Bible  
we read Lev. 23. 24: In the seventh month, in the first  
day of the month shall ye have a sabbath, a memorial of  
blowing of trumpets, a holy convocation.

The Bible therefore knows but of one day of prayer, of  
the first day, and it remains with the Congregation to



decide whether it will continue or abolish the celebration of a second day of Rosh Hashonah.

Awaiting your action and decision I remain  
with the highest consideration  
Gentlemen

Your obedt. servant  
Dr Lienthal.

It was then on motion resolved That the Board of Trustees recommend to the congregation that the observance of the second day of Rosh Hashonah be henceforth abolished, in accordance with the views expressed in Dr Lienthal's letter.

On motion Dr Lienthal was requested to be present at the General meeting of the Congregation to be held on 8<sup>th</sup> Inst. to answer any questions that may be raised in reference to the above recommendation.

The renewal of the mortgage on the Temple, falling due in a few days, was on motion referred to the President with power to act.

The committee on Temple and Furnitures were empowered to act in reference to making the necessary connection with the sewer about to be built near the Temple.

The meeting then adjourned

A. Abraham *Secretary*  
Julius Fleisher *Pastor*