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The interest which has manifested itself for some time, and in so many ways throughout our Society, for a better knowledge of our principles, as well as of the history of Friends, is one of the signs of the times which indicate a newness of life and a growing interest in our religious organization and its objects. If these desires are not confined to the younger members, they are certainly not behind in their eagerness for such knowledge. The probabilities are that Friends of the next decade will be much better posted in these matters than were those of the recent past. When we see young Friends searching out old records for items of interest, or removing from half forgotten corners on the book shelves the neglected and

musty volumes of the early days of the Society, and perusing them with eagerness and interest, we may know that not all is dead. Although such work has been going on for some time in various places, perhaps the best effort at organization thus far made is in the formation of the "Young Friends' Association" in Philadelphia. We hope to see in the near future circles in many of our neighborhoods pursuing a systematic and uniform study of the writings and works of Friends. These circles, or the requirements of these, should bring out what is so much needed in the Society: concise editions of many of the works of early Friends, better adapted to the requirements and tastes of our young people.

When this issue comes out Genesee Yearly Meeting will be going on. Reports of the proceedings will be given in future numbers of the REVIEW. Each Yearly Meeting throughout America, besides giving encouragement and enthusiasm to the members within its limits has some special feature to maintain, and work to do for the Society in general. And while we plead for unwavering loyalty to the very vital and deeply important principles of Quakerism in general, we entreat for faithfulness to the special lines of work that are required of Genesee. Success and self-satisfaction to the Yearly Meeting as a whole depends upon individual faithfulness. Harmony in a manufacturing establishment depends upon each wheel, and pulley, and lever, and chain being in its place and doing its allotted work. May we each one know *our* allotted work and do it.

The time of a few of our subscribers expired with last issue. We hope all will renew, and that some at least will send new names with their renewals. We have been told that the sermons alone which we publish are worth the subscription. We have published the REVIEW three years, and in that time our list of readers has increased three-fold. We hope to make the same