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The Executive Committee meetings of the General Conference, held at Coldstream, Ontario, belong to the past, but the memory of them will linger long in the minds of all who were present. The large numbers in attendance and the interest manifested from the beginning, and which increased as the meetings progressed, even to the very last, showed to some degree the importance of these gatherings. The freedom with which the doors were opened to all, and the cordial invitation extended by the committee to all Friends to participate in the proceedings, united at once visitors and visited in the promotion of the work.

The occasion of the meetings at Coldstream is undoubtedly an epoch-making period in the holding of the Executive Committee Meetings. The

experiment of holding such a gathering within one of the Yearly Meetings in the year intervening the General Conferences, has proved itself a success beyond all expectation, and with the methods likely to be adopted at the next General Conference for holding the General Conference in the future, is more than likely to meet the needs of all the Yearly Meetings and to keep up a lively interest in the good work.

The invitation extended by Philadelphia Yearly Meeting to hold the next General Conference at Swarthmore College was most cordially accepted and the date of commencement was made 8th mo. 19th, next year.

The importance of throwing the Friendly influence about our children, while they are receiving their education, was timely dealt with, and many suggestions of value were presented. Swarthmore College and the Friendly influence it is now exerting was earnestly presented and its methods warmly defended by its many friends who were in attendance here. Our Society of Friends is undoubtedly beginning to feel the helpful influences of Swarthmore to a much greater extent than in the past, and Ex-President Dr Edward H. Magill seems pre eminently the connecting link which is drawing into near relationship the Society and the College.

IN PREPARATION FOR THE CONFERENCES OF '96.

According to arrangements announced in REVIEW the several Executive Committees, to prepare for the General Conferences of 1896, met at Coldstream, Ontario, within the limits of Genesee Yearly Meeting. The meetings were well attended both by local Friends and by members of the Committees from a distance, all the Yearly Meetings being represented but Ohio. A company of 48 came in a special car, arriving at Komoka, their railroad destination, in the evening of the 20th at 8:30, whence private con-