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In a note from Isaac Wilson, written on his way home, dated Utica, N. Y., 11th mo. 8th, he writes : "I have been from home over three weeks, have attended Western, Calu, Concord, Purchase, Nine Partners, and Stratford Quarterly Meetings, also a number of appointments. All satisfactory. Have had beautiful weather nearly all the time, and have kept well"

In this issue closes the account of Serena Minard's "Pilgrimage" in Europe. We are sure the readers of the REVIEW have been delighted and deeply interested with the excellent accounts of her travels abroad, and will miss their coming. Perhaps she

may feel constrained to keep up, though by other themes, the connections and acquaintances that her pen in this series of articles has won for her. Although she went an acknowledged delegate in the cause of temperance, of peace, and of prison reform, yet the supreme mission of her going, though perhaps unknown even to herself, we prophetically feel will result in accelerating a unity in feeling, and finally in action, between the British Friends' and our branch of the Quaker Church. What true Friendly mind will not be disarmed of its prejudice against the harmless tenets of Hicksitism after hearing it from the inspired lips of our own mild evangel.

"In Christian breasts, oh, for a Pagan zeal." This cry of one formerly, somewhat altered to suit conditions, is very frequently on our mind when beholding the indifference found in many Friendly localities towards our beloved Society. We do not desire that narrow, selfishly denominational zeal that once characterized Church members. We rejoice to see that spirit vanishing before the clearer light of a broader Christianity. But there is a zeal for denominationalism that does not militate against this universal Christianity. There is a loyalty towards individual Societies that harmonizes with the move for the unification of the Churches. As only through individual faithfulness can we have a model Society, so the Church of Christ can best be perfected through individual denominational faithfulness. Let the hope the world has in the unification of Christianity fortify our zeal in all branches of Society work. Let us see that it is not for our Society alone, but for the world. Let us be convinced that we can best serve the world religiously by serving our own Society. If Friends think the work of the Society is finished—it is finished. But if they think there is a respectable, a worthy, even a glorious future for it, it will be so.

It is only in some localities, in some