

meeting will bridge over this wall which has separated the old and young."

Next followed a paper by Lydia Hall, "Is our First-day School teaching sufficiently devotional in its character?"

Fanny Robinson enjoyed the paper.

H. A. Plummer, "Lyman Abbot hoped Friends would hold just to the teacher of silence."

Mary Parry, "The paper touched a tender place in my heart."

The report of Ohio First-day School was now read, and was closely followed by the Illinois Association's report, both of which discovered interest in the cause, and a determination to work onward and upward.

The Conference accepted Baltimore's invitation to meet within its limits in 1892. Time and place not decided upon.

With feelings of gratitude and an assurance that the several sessions were highly profitable, recognized as they were by infinite love and divine favor, the Conference adjourned to meet in 1892.

### AN APPEAL

FROM NEBRASKA HALF-YEAR'S MEETING  
OF FRIENDS HELD 8TH  
MO. 25th, 1890.

It is the judgment of this meeting that the Society of Friends having always been active in Temperance Reform, and realizing the need of organized effort in order to promote the adoption of the Amendment to our State Constitution, prohibiting the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors within the State of Nebraska, should in our capacity as the business head of the Society in this State, earnestly urge Friends in their scattered homes to exert their full influences to further this most worthy cause. We heartily endorse the various temperance movements in our State and, recommend our members generally, not only to vote for the amendment, but to use all honorable means, in accordance with

our discipline, to encourage others to do the same. We are encouraged by the thought that worthy Friends everywhere are sending up prayers to the loving Father of all, that His strength and comfort may rest upon us in the struggles of to-day, as they have in those of former times, sending us forth brave unto battle, in the full hope of victory in His own good time.

Signed on behalf of the meeting,

MARIANA B. TRUMAN, } Clerks.  
J. RUSSELL LOWNES, }

### GATHER THE FLEETING.

DEDICATED TO S. D.

You say there are thoughts in the silent hour,  
And in busy moments as they fly,  
That breathe to the soul sweet words of peace  
But are never spoken ere they die.

Dear Sister, when they come to thee ;  
Oh ! catch them quickly ere they fly,  
And with thy pencil trace them out :  
Let them not pass unheeded by.

Then they will cheer full many an hour,  
Where now they only brighten one,  
And in a score of years, their power,  
You'll find, has only just begun.

For when we stand in Autumn time  
With life's long journey nearly o'er,  
The thoughts of youth will bring a peace  
And joy they never brought before.

The memories of those early days  
Will seem like blossoms on the tree  
That now hangs laden with its fruit  
All ripened for eternity.

Then treasure up these precious thoughts,  
And place them kindly where they may  
Bring peace to thine and others hearts,  
Through many an hour, in many a day.

JULIA M. DUTTON,  
Waterloo, Nov. 16th 1873.

We must be courteous, agreeable, civil, kind, gentlemanly, and manly at home, and then it will become a kind of second nature everywhere. A coarse, rough manner at home begets a habit of roughness, which we cannot lay off if we try when we go among strangers. The most agreeable persons in company are those who are most agreeable at home. Home is the school for all the best things.