is well, to arrive again in New York Twelfth month 12th or 13th AARON M. POWELL.

FRIENDS' MINISTRY.

To sit in silent waiting on the Lord Until the voice of God speaks through His child,

No word prepared by human intellect, But just to sit and wait for God's own voice: This is the worship of the humble Friend. And when the Father wishes truth revealed, He will inspire and fill with words the mouth

Of him he chooses for his servant here, And though he be an humble man, and poor In conversation, when God bids him not; With inspiration words come forth like fire And he will e'en forget his humble self, So much divinity absorbs his soul.

And such convincing truths he utters then, Men wonder where the man could learn so much;

Ah! cannot God a greater teacher be, And teach more truth, in just one little hour, Than men in a whole lifetime e'er can teach! It is the voice of God speaks to the soul, And fills the heart and mind so full of truth, That man can have no peace with his lips sealed

Until he gives God's message to mankind; The silent voice keeps arging him to speak, Until at last his own will has to yield, His lips are opened for God's voice to

speak,
And by his words great truths are oft re-

vealed. Such Friends inspired, true ministers should

And is it not religion pure and sweet, So simple that God's children all may learn, And he will be the teacher to instruct?

True, some there are who as not preach for God,

And utter words from leadings of their own, But such are not divinely led, true Friends. Oh! is it not a wondrous privilege when The Father calls, bids you his servant be, And how could Friends, who are not chosen thus,

E'er dare to preach of godly things untaught?

Friends are a people who are few indeed, But God will love and ever near them dwell,

If they will always live as he shall lead;
Ah! what religion e'er could purer be,
Than just to speak and act as God shall
will?

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. It seems from Scripture records that the ancient Jews were a very exclusive "Ye know, says the Apostle, people. that it is an unlawful thing for a man that is a Jew to keep company or go among those of another nation," and he himself required a special vision to enable him to see that God had regard to other nations besides the lews, and that he must not call any man common or unclean. Also at Jacob's well when Jesus asks drink of the woman of Samaria she is surprised. "How is it, that thou being a Jew, askest drink of me, which am a woman of Samaria, for the Jews have no dealings with the Samaritans."

Yet when the man who journeyed from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell among theives, it was the Priest and Levite who passed by on the other side, and the poor despised Samaritan who had compassion, bound up his wounds and made provision for his support until restored to health and soundness again. By this is shown that we should minister to all according to our ability, without any regard' to any particular sect or nation. Their self righteousness appears in the parable of the two men, the Pharisee and the Publican, who went up into the temple pray. The Pharisee stood and prayed thus, "I thank thee Lord that I am not as other men are, or even as this Publican. I fast twice in the week, and give tithes of all that I possess." And the Publican, standing afar off, would not so much as lift up his eyes unto Heaven, but smote upon his breast saying. "God be merciful to me, a sinner." "I tell you this man went down to his house justified rather than the other."

We believe, however, they are quiet and law abiding citizens of our country, faithful in their domestic relations, support their own poor, and observant to of their religious customs and beliefs.

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