

our own domain, rather may we look for depreciation in other's eyes—however, it is only ours to see to the provision for our own—feeling not to be excused until each have done all they can that God requires of them, being “Not slothful in business, fervent in spirit serving the Lord.” As to the benefits received therefrom, for myself I unhesitatingly answer that I have won the prize. A peaceful and buoyant spirit, which is worth more than all the trembling steps and fears of man in taking up and bearing the cross laid upon me by my Heavenly Father. The chords of love have been strengthened, I feel as it had been a knitting process, a binding together of soul and soul—I love my people more—we seem nearer than we did before, because I know them better. Then, too, I have profited by the perusal of the lessons for each day, always finding more and more to learn as I read onward and upward. One Friend expressed the thought that the hour thus spent was calculated to prepare the way for solemn thought in the after meeting for worship. Others expressed gladness for the effort and exercise, which all made apparent by promptness generally to the hour. What joy it gave to see the aged fathers and mothers with smiling faces and ready willing voices and thought sustain the work, God only knows. Now, it simply remains to say that the desire was expressed for the continuance of the work, and since the adjournment some have expressed regret that we did not prolong the session another month.

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King Humbert, of Italy, has always been an abstainer from liquors and almost a total abstainer from wine. He has smoked cigars quite freely, if not excessively. About three months ago he noticed that something in his habits was hurting his health. Physicians said it was cigars, and hinted at more moderation. The King at once declared against the use of all tobacco, and has done no smoking since.

FRIENDS' QUARTERLY MEETING.

In company with quite a number of Friends, I attended Easton and Saratoga Quarterly Meetings held at Easton the 16th of 11th mo., and Marshall Seminary, a Friends' school house at the same place. While there I gathered the following facts concerning Easton meeting. The present house was built in 1787, one hundred years ago. The first meeting held here was in the house of Zebulon Hoxie in 1773. The first preparative meeting was held in a log house in 1775, near the present meeting house.

At one time a party of Indians with fresh scalps dangling at their girdles and leading some prisoners entered the log meeting house just at the close of the meeting. Zebulon Hoxie invited the Indians home with him to dinner. They accepted the invitation and partook of his hospitality. He must have had an unusual company of friends to dine with him that day. The revolutionary struggle found this peaceable people in the midst of war and suffering much from persecution and loss of property. Almost in sight of this meeting house the surrender of Burgoyne's army took place. The monument at Schuylerville, which marks the spot, can be seen from near the meeting house.

This meeting, like many others, is much smaller than formerly. A remnant of concerned Friends still remain who keep up a creditable meeting. Among the long list of recommended ministers who once belonged to this meeting we find the curious names of Thankful Merritt and Pardon Tripp.

Duanesburgh Quarterly Meeting held at Quaker street, following soon after, two of our company attended that meeting also. We found an interesting company of concerned Friends with a large First-day School, which we believe will be a great help in keeping up an interest in the meeting. Our