

year were continued for the coming year, and it is earnestly desired that you diligently endeavor to increase the subscription list. It certainly would be entirely within our reach to double our list from this Yearly Meeting. There are some localities that have never responded with a communication of any character. This is not right. The paper is, and will be to some extent, what we make it. We can have a twenty page weekly if we do our whole duty. And how can we make a more worthy effort than in this direction? You in the far West give us a little account of your surroundings, your desires and needs, of your efforts to hold meetings, of visiting Friends, and any other items of general interest, just such as you first look for on receiving the paper. Sincerely,

EDWARD COALE.

Chairman of Committee.

#### ILLINOIS YEARLY MEETING.

Illinois Yearly Meeting closed on Fifth-day, 20th instant, its Twentieth Annual Session, and I think we have never had a better one; condescension and love was the prevailing elements at every session. Friends were here from the "East and the west and the north and south to sit down in heavenly places in Christ Jesus," not one thing to mar the good feeling that should ever exist amongst a Christian people. The meeting on Fifth-day evening, where much good counsel was given and was a general feast, where heart responded to heart till the vessels were full to overflowing, and friend bade farewell to friend, some never to meet again, this Yearly Meeting will not soon be forgotten by many. The reward of "well done" in this life, and the prize of glory we expect in the next, should animate every heart with an inspiration to seek earnestly the best gifts that are in store for us. May we ask largely that our joys may be full, for where "Grace abounds love does much more abound." May our aim be made high; though we may never

reach it we will rise higher than those that aim at an object on a level with themselves. D. WILSON.

#### NEBRASKA.

Nebraska Half-Yearly Meeting of Friends will be held at Genoa on Second-day, 29th of 10th mo., at 11 a.m. The meeting for ministers and elders on the Seventh-day preceding, at 2.00 p. m. The train leaves Columbus for Monroe and Genoa at 3.30 p.m., connecting with trains leaving Omaha at 10.00 a. m., and North Platte at 9.25 a.m. Visiting Friends, by dropping a card to either of the undersigned, will be met at the train:—

Jos. Webster, Monroe, Platte Co., Neb.  
Isaiah Lightner, " "  
David H. Brown, Genoa, Nance Co., Nb.  
Geo. S. Truman, " "

#### HOLINESS.

"Without Holiness no man (consequently no woman) can see God."

How does this saying agree with the doctrine taught by most of our church doctrine or teaching, which is always saying that it is not by your good works that you are saved. I think it is not by our bad works that we are saved, surely not. Mere belief will not do it. It must be accompanied by works such as our Heavenly Father would approve. He would not approve of bad works. Works is what He judges by. If the work or works is not good he rejects the person.

Since we will be judged by our actions it behooves us to act correctly in order that we may receive the welcome message so much desired "Well done, thou good and faithful servant, thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over more." We must have a way or power by which we will be influenced to act correctly at all times so as to be in harmony with the will of our Heavenly Father. Notice above we are called "servant," which implies that we do as our Master wishes, and not as our own wish might lead us to do, but it