

of war, and hammer throwing during the year is five first place medals, one second place medal and one record medal, total seven.

The writer of "Philadelphia Yearly Meeting," and Pennsylvanians in general, will please excuse us for presenting (in last time, page 85) their barns as flat-roofed instead of hip-roofed.

PELHAM HALF-YEARLY MEETING

Comes on the 18th of 8th mo. Public meeting on First-day, the 19th, after which the First-day School General Conference will be held beginning on the 20th. Norwich M. M. is held at the same place on the 17th, the day before the H. Y. M. The locality is Yarmouth, Ont. St. Thomas, the nearest station, at which Friends will be met, is on the Michigan Central R. R., about midway between Suspension Bridge and Detroit. Fuller particulars next month.

NOTES ON THE WAY TO NEW YORK YEARLY MEETING.

While in Philadelphia we also visited Independence Hall—one of the old public buildings—which is large and still well preserved—where hung the large bell, which was cracked from top to bottom, while ringing out the expression of the people who had determined to be free from the yoke of oppression they so long had borne. In the wide hall there are inscriptions about "the right of all men to be free and equal," and there are two large rooms; whose walls are covered with portraits of prominent men of the time. The original Declaration of Independence is there, with the portraits and the names of the signers—John Hancock's name being written in large characters, (that as he said) it "might be read without spectacles."

There are many interesting relics such as articles used by William Penn in his first journey across the Atlantic, and a very old painting representing his treaty with the Indians. Among the rest a sofa, chairs and camp stool used by Washington; which are rapidly falling to decay. And last to be mentioned—though not the least in the suggestion, is a doll—dressed in the fashion of the day, with its plain grey dress, a white handkerchief neatly folded across the bosom—and a plain drab bonnet, reminding us once more that Friends did not adopt a singular mode of dress that they might appear different from the world about them, but just simply had a testimony to bear against the following of every frivolous fashion, that the mind might be occupied with things of greater worth.

The new City Hall which has been years in building, is an immense structure the largest we have ever seen built of a stone which is nearly white, beautifully wrought and shining, with a large court in the centre through which the foot traffic of two of the principle streets of the city is constantly surging. Inside—the columns seem to be supported on the shoulders of men chiseled out of the marble, each head and face being as different as heads and faces usually are, and all expressing a sense of the great weight which is resting upon them. Still higher up as the columns grow smaller the shoulders are those of smaller men—until high as the eye can easily reach, the figures are like those of children. Life sized statues adorn the outside of the building, in various attitudes, each representing some sentiment, or some noted character, and on the ground near one of the entrances is a life sized statue on a horse.

We acknowledge our inability to describe correctly, but are willing to do what we can—that others may share a portion of what we enjoyed, being assured that a knowledge of the aims and interest of other people enlarge our