

home at Clăstre m, On', Julia, wife of Edmund H. Ziviz, aged 53 years.

She was a member of Lobo Preparative Meeting. For many years of delicate health her end was no doubt hastened by the sad and sudden death, in a railway collision, of her son Melvin, in last Fourth month. With a beloved one to welcome us, death does not seem like going into a strange land, but like going to a better and a happier home than earth can afford.

A FRIENDS' SCHOOL IN TORONTO.

Editor YOUNG FRIENDS' REVIEW :

DEAR FRIEND.—So far as I have been able to ascertain, the proposal made last month has been received with considerable favor, though I have not many communications direct. These, however, are encouraging and to the point. It is desirable to learn at an early date what Friends are prepared to do in the matter. We can neither go on, nor are we inclined to stop, until we have heard from Friends. It may be said that it is not the intention to establish an inferior institution. In order to carry out the work briefly outlined last month, superior equipment must of necessity be provided. It may not, perhaps, be wise to at once erect buildings, if suitable premises may be leased; and there is little doubt that most excellent buildings in every respect can be secured, at a moderate rental.

We would scarcely be justified in entering upon the work with less than \$20,000 at our command. There should be no difficulty in raising this amount. One hundred Friends subscribing \$200 each, or two hundred Friends subscribing \$100 each would produce the amount requisite. This is simply an illustration. Friends have the privilege of subscribing one share of \$10 only, if not in circumstances to subscribe more. It is to be remembered, also, that the amounts subscribed are not to be considered gifts unless so desired; but as so much money invested, with a

reasonable expectation of yielding yearly dividends to the investor. If the Institution is to be established it should be in operation one year hence. In order that proper arrangements may be made and equipment provided, and sufficient and effective advertising done, the \$20,000 or more should be promised during the next month or two. No moneys are to be collected, until it is indicated that the amount can be raised. When that time arrives the fact will be duly announced, and proper arrangements will be made to receive subscriptions. Sincerely,

W. G. BROWN,
85 Metcalf St., Toronto.

THE PREACHER'S VACATION.

The old man went to meetin', for the day was bright and fair,
Though his limbs were very tottering, and 'twas hard to travel there;
But he hungered for the gospel, so he trudged the weary way
On the road so rough and dusty, 'neath the summer's burning ray.

By-and-by he reached the building, to his soul a holy place;
Then he paused, and wiped the sweat drops off his thin and wrinkled face.
But he looked around bewildered, for the old bell did not toll,
All the doors were shut and bolted, and he did not see a soul.

So he leaned upon his crutches, and he said,
"What does this mean?"
And he looked this way and that, till it seemed almost a dream.
He had walked the dusty highway, and he breathed a heavy sigh—
Just to go once more to meetin' ere the summons came to die.

But he saw a little notice tacked upon the meeting door,
So he limped along to read it, and he read it o'er and o'er;
Then he wiped his dusty glasses, and he read it o'er again,
Till his lips began to tremble, and his eyes began to pain.

As the old man read the notice, how it made his spirit burn!
"Pastor absent on vacation, church is closed till his return."