

After expressions of gratitude to the writer for his kindness in presenting his paper to us, the meeting closed with the usual silence.

The Young Friend's Association met in Brooklyn, Fifth mo 9th. Marianna Hallock, of the Literature Section, recommended a recent publication called "The World Beautiful." It is written by Lilian Whiting, in memory of Phillips Brooks.

Charlotte M. Way read the Current Topics report. E. G. Holmes reported that the Bible Section, in their study of the stories of Jacob, found that this period marked the transition from Holy Theism to Monotheism, the belief of the former being shown by the reverence for the household gods.

Mary S. Haviland read an extract from "Hiram Garth's Religion," by George H. Hepworth. It consisted of a discussion between an old shoemaker and his minister, growing out of the minister's idea that it was his duty to extol his denomination above the others. The old man argued that as all denominations are striving towards the same end, instead of fostering a spirit of rivalry, they should unite for the common good. The closer the relationship among them, the nearer they are to God. Their object should be to lead to God, no matter whether through their own denomination or some other. In the discussion it was felt that this spirit of brotherhood, where all are striving for what is best and highest, should not be limited to denominations of the Christian religion, but extended to all religions, whether Jewish, Mohammedan, or Buddhist. The object of all is the same, no matter by what name they may be known. However, there are, among many, pernicious doctrines, and these it is our duty to fight for the benefit of the ignorant.

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PLAINFIELD, NEW JERSEY, Y. F. A.

A regular meeting of the Young Friend's Association, of Plainfield, New Jersey, was held 5th mo. 5. The opening silence was followed by the reading of a portion of the 103rd Psalm.

The History Section presented for consideration the special testimony of Friends on the subject of war, and the reading was followed by much interesting discussion. The thought was emphasized that this testimony did not imply condemnation of those who felt it their duty to give their lives to their country, but was an individual question, to be settled by the dictates of one's own conscience.

The fact should ever be borne in mind, however, that nations are called to rise above the level of fighting pagans, not to fall below it, and that one of the most effective means by which the national standard of duty can be raised, or, in other words, the nation thoroughly Christianized, is through individuals who are faithful at all costs and at all risks, to a higher view of duty than that held by the nation at large.

A selection from the life of George Fox on the subject of war, the consideration of current events, and a poetical selection from the London Herald of Peace, entitled "Boys' Brigades," completed the programme for the evening.

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ARKONA, ONT.

The Young Friends' Association, of Arkona, held a meeting on the afternoon of 4th mo. 18th, in the meeting house.

The opening reading was third chapter of first Timothy. One Friend thought the chapter was a temporal