

who has so suddenly been taken away. Those that knew him all learned to love him. He was a man who impressed all by his uprightness and sterling qualities. He was a teacher, and that means a good deal. One who has the training of young minds has an important position to fill. Our numbers are small, and we shall miss our friend. This place was his spiritual home, and it was his custom each First-day to bring his students to this house of worship, thus teaching them to regard and revere things spiritual. I believe that when the summons came to our friend he was ready and fully prepared to go.

"It has been said that he who makes two blades of grass grow where formerly there was one, is a benefactor. Such is the case of our friend and teacher. He was prepared to meet that greater harmony with God, which he enjoyed to a large extent here upon earth, and we can all have that same harmony if we are living as we should.

"To-day we are here, but we cannot tell of the morrow."

At the conclusion of Mr. Powell's impressive talk, Friend Elizabeth Thistlethwaite, a beloved member of the Society who has passed her ninetieth year of a noble life, made a homily, which was exceedingly appropriate and full of excellent truth, giving special emphasis to the good of submitting ourselves to God and letting Him direct our paths and shape our destinies.

An opportunity was given for those present to review the remains, and burial was made in the cemetery back of the meeting-house.

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### COURT OF ARBITRATION.

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Interior: No more wars between Anglo-Saxons. That is what is meant by the late action of the Parliament of Great Britain resolving to take the first steps for the establishment of a permanent Court of Arbitration between itself and the American Republic. This result, which was accomplished by a

practically unanimous vote, has long been sought and often rejected, even with derision. Now it is accepted as natural and inevitable. It is true, as Dr. Storrs says, that "something has changed the face of war even upon the Danube." But better than that, something is banishing war entirely between nations deeply affected by the spirit of the Gospel: It is the beginning of that conversion of sword to plowshare, so long ago prophesied and apparently so hopelessly awaited.

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### THE WORLD'S FIRST CONGRESS OF RELIGION.

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As already understood, we presume, by our members generally, it is the purposes of these Congresses to bring representatives of all religions and denominations, non-Christians as well as Christians, into personal contact and acquaintance, for kindly expression of their faiths under conditions that, it is hoped, will tend to produce a sense of brotherhood under the divine Fatherhood, that has not heretofore existed. This can be in the belief that whatever is true in the faith of any, or all, will meet the witness for truth in the hearer's heart, and enable the purer, higher truths, to find general acceptance with increasing speed and force. We hope that out of this fellowship will grow not only a kindlier feeling between sects and religions, but also willingness to co-operate wherever it may be beneficial in the efforts to remove evils from among men. Our part in this great movement may be small in proportion to others, for our numbers are small; but our faith, in its distinctive feature, so fully meets the needs of all of every faith, who are striving to know and do the right, that we should be diligent in spreading its light and power in the belief that "one with God" is invincible." We urge attendance by as many of our members from each Yearly Meeting as may be rightly possible, that we may the more widely feel the influence of the