

members were present. It was a time of deep spiritual baptism, and many hearts were tendered. Encouragement was offered, and each was exhorted to mind the Light and be faithful. There are a few sincere ones there, who if they persevere will continue to be bright lights in the cause of Truth.

We were accompanied on our visit by Nathan Borton's widow and her daughter Hattie Deck, who were very attentive and earnest in the furtherance of our mission. On First-day we started to visit Hannah Smith, and son and daughter, a distance of 20 miles, where we arrived before noon. We regretted to find the latter had gone to West Unity to be with us, and we had missed each other on the way. Hattie Deck and husband had brought us in their conveyance, staying with us until next morning. Before night George and Elizabeth Smith returned. Our visit with the family was very congenial. They have for years been earnest and prominent workers in our Society, and their isolation does not seem to deaden their interest. In the evening we gathered into the quiet, and felt the presence of the All Father to be with us. Our feelings overflowed in exhortation and in supplication. A precious communion, indeed, was felt.

Next morning George and his mother conveyed us in their carriage to my wife's uncle's L. N. Chase, near Hudson, Mich., a distance of 14 miles. Here our party met my wife and sister Maria Haight, who had been visiting there since the General Conference. The ride was a pleasant one, and through a fine country; in fact, we had been in pleasant places throughout our whole trip. A timbered country, well watered, productive, and healthy, and not unlike our own Ontario. In fact I was constantly reminded of the resemblance in many ways.

George and Hannah Smith started for home in the afternoon of the same day we arrived at uncle's, and we improved the day in having a good visit

with old friends. Next morning wife, sister and myself left for home, which we reached about dusk, finding all well and happy at our return. Elizabeth and Maria Haight remained behind to spend a few weeks at Hudson and Chicago.

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### CHILDREN OF PEACE.

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The Central Meeting of Friends, at No. 50 Dearborn street, Chicago was addressed yesterday afternoon by Aaron M. Powell, of New York, editor of the *Philanthropist*. Mr. Powell is a fine intellectual-looking man, and his manner of speaking is suited to the conservative, unostentatious character of the sect.

His address was retrospective and prophetic, the achievements of the past being cited merely to show the nature of the fruit that the tree of Quakerism has borne. "Peace and duty are the watchwords of the Quakers," he said. "Very early among the Friends, when differences arose, the method of adjustment was by arbitration, not by arms or law. This was the attitude which the Friends work concerning the solution of the slavery problem, and the principle is still held by the body. This sentiment of peace has so permeated the communities of the world that arbitration is now depended upon for the solution of great problems.

"Trace the history of temperance down through the centuries and the testimony of the Friends will always be found directed against strong drink. Among the earliest teachings of the Friends was the equality of women with men. In the last decade the position of woman has changed, and she now more independent than ever before in the history of the world. These fundamental thoughts are fashioning the general thought of the country, and 1880 witnesses the admission into the Union of a commonwealth which recognizes legal equality for women. There has