

occasion a deep interest manifested itself, evidencing a growth in the work.

First-day morning dawned with threatenings of an unfavorable day, and before Friends gathered, quite a heavy rain had set in, but we were thankful to notice the clouds had lifted somewhat about eleven and the house nicely filled with an appreciative audience. Our ministering Friends were Isaac Wilson and Richard Widdifield. Isaac Wilson broke the silence with the words: "I am the door; by me if any man enter in he shall be saved, and shall go in and out and find pasture." Richard Widdifield spoke briefly, and the meeting closed with prayer from Isaac Wilson.

In the afternoon the First-day School Association held a very interesting session. Questions on First-day School work were discussed satisfactorily, and verbal reports given of the different schools. The President addressed the meeting on the duties of superintendent and teachers, leaving many excellent and practical suggestions to be adopted by those active in the work. The programme was varied by a recitation, and a reading, entitled "Our Master" from Whittier. Isaac Wilson gave a brief but interesting report of the late conference at Chapagua.

Second-day was bright and cool, with pleasing prospects for the day. The meeting for worship was opened in a tender and beautiful prayer from Isaac Wilson, baptizing us in that precious feeling of oneness with the Father. Soon after he arose with the words: "And I will give unto you the keys of the kingdom of heaven," giving a powerful and practical sermon, showing plainly by what means we can attain to that heavenly condition, and how to remain in it. That the keys of the kingdom were given to every soul of accountability, and it rested with each one to make the right and proper use of them.

After the physical had been sustained with refreshments bountifully spread,

Friends gathered this time in the business capacity, which was conducted in love and harmony. Fitting remarks were left for our welfare, and trust the good seed dropped may be firmly and deeply rooted in the hearts of not only the younger ones present, but also of those of maturer years. It was indeed both pleasing and gratifying to see the many youthful faces in attendance at our meeting, and the thoughtful, earnest expression on the different countenances bespoke an interest in the work which we trust speaks well for the future of our smaller meetings.

As yet we have not taken up any work along the line of philanthropic labor in our Half Yearly Meeting, except in the temperance cause, and as this is a branch of the work it seemed well to change the name of the standing committee on temperance to that of philanthropic labor, and those of our young people, who are not active in other work of the meeting, and feel there is not much or anything for them to do, perhaps can find work here, and we will hope to accomplish good results in the future.

We often hear expressed, at the close of these privileged occasions, that the last held is felt to be the best we ever attended, and that the time seems only too short, but whether the meetings grow more interesting, or is the change within us, are we better able to appreciate them? is a question we will leave for each one to consider and answer for themselves.

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The recently published change of opinion of English Friends in regard to our branch is very peculiar, considering this Society's actions in respect to David Duncan and the Manchester Friends some twenty-two years ago, when notwithstanding the remonstrances of such men as John Bright and Thomas Satterthwaite, the ban