

revelations of truth from God and have left them recorded in the Bible. But as these records stand there they are dead, killed by the letter, for letters have not life, but can merely testify of the life. These passages that are said to have been inspired we may read over and over again without understanding them, and they will remain blank until their sense penetrates to the inner soul and meets with the evidence established there. Then are they quickened into life and come as new revelations unto us. Before they do this we cannot rightfully say we believe in them, or have faith in them, though they may be true in themselves. Hence innate truth is that substance or evidence which is the groundwork of "Faith," and "Faith in God" is implicit belief in everything He reveals to our understanding.

Let us view faith now from its effects. It is said that "faith without works is dead." When the soul is truly quickened into faith it is so active that its effects must be manifest, so much so that if there be no fruits, no works, we are justified in believing that its faith is dead; in other words, that it has none. And now, O Friends, and all who believe in immediate revelation and communion with God, it behooves us to bring forth fruits in proof of that high privilege. Merely boasting is mockery. For what will it avail a man if he boast of his faith and have not that God-like love in his soul that comes from faith in God? that love that will forgive every injury, that will pray for those who persecute, that will seek the well being of an enemy. For these are the works of true faith, and are not more exacting than to be perfect, as we are commanded, "even as our Father which is in heaven is perfect."

Now is the time to *renew* and to send in *new names* for the REVIEW. If all renewals are made before the New Year it will save us much extra work.

We do not want to break acquaintance with any of our old Friends, and we hope to form many new ones now for the coming year. *Send along the names.*

S Louesa Haight, of Yarmouth, has entered Swarthmore College.

Our special offer to Friends living west of the Mississippi River sent it into many a home isolated from the body of Friends, and it is gratifying to see how they appreciate this connection. We are constrained to give the same offer once more, hoping it may reach *every* isolated Friend's home. The YOUNG FRIENDS' REVIEW to any Friend's address west of the Mississippi in the United States and west of Ontario in Canada ONE YEAR FOR 25 CTS.

AS OTHERS SEE US.

Accompanying business letters to the REVIEW there are often words of encouragement to the editors and well-wishes for its success, and sometimes acknowledgements, that seem to be honest, testifying of its ability and worth and welcome visitations, for all of which we are indeed grateful, and especially so as we observe how it tends to revive and enliven interest in the Society and its principles. Particularly is this the case among our isolated members, who often express their thankfulness for the little visitant that not unfrequently brings to them recollections of an early childhood under the sweet and pure and abiding influence of Friends and their holy principles. We will take the privilege of quoting a few extracts that cannot but be of interest to our readers:

Inman, Kan.

EDGAR M. ZAVITZ:

Dear Friend, —As I sit alone in my home to-day in Central Kansas, my wife visiting a sick sister and our three boys at a neighbor's reading the YOUNG FRIENDS' REVIEW, which comes like a drop of refreshing rain on dry soil, my mind reviews the scenes of my past life.