All our Schools use the Friends' lessons which call out interesting questions and interchange of sentiment upon the subjects presented.

One School has been established in Nebraska, not in the vicinity of a meeting, where a number of scattered Friends find mutual help in thus mingling.

There is a noted increase in the attendance of meetings for worship and discipline, through the influence of the First-day School.

As a message from an absent friend brings before our minds the pleasing thought, that, although our time seems so fully occupied with the busy round of daily toil, and each returning day brings new duties and new responsibilities, yet there are those who are thinking of us, and are interested in our welfare ; so the reading of your loving Epistle has had a similar effect upon the members of our Association, and in return we send you our warmest greetings, hoping that we may all be endowed with a spirit of love and zeal in this grand work, putting all in His care who alone can guide us in the paths of light and life.

Signed by direction and on behalf of Illinois First-day School Association, by

> LILLIAN E. MILLS, Clerk.