

all, they will give us stronger convictions to live by.

To make a summary, work for Young Friends' Associations as I see it is as follows:

1. To create an interest in the Society among the younger members of the Meeting.

2. To bring in other young people so that the Society may not lack the inspiration of members by conviction.

3. To furnish a programme of live subjects for discussion at its meetings.

4. To make its members feel that it is for them, and to urge them to make the best use of it by aiding in the discussions, and thus try to correct the tendency of many Friends to take no part in the business of the Meeting.

5. To know the philanthropic interest of its members and see that they are furthered.

6. To keep posted in regard to the business affairs of the Society, and lend its influence to better the organization when opportunity affords.

7. To be a school where the younger members can learn to conduct the business of the Society by following as far as practicable its methods, namely, conducting business by the Friendly method, collecting money by assessment, becoming acquainted with the Discipline, etc.

8. To show an interest in Friends' schools and colleges.

9. When strong enough, to provide reading rooms and reading matter for Friendly neighborhoods.

10. To promote sociability.

11. To turn the minds of its members to the serious contemplation of things "that make for righteousness."

I hope I have made my hearers feel, as I do, that the Young Friends' Association is for the Society. That it is no more a thing of itself than is the Philanthropic Union or the First-day School; but that it is necessary, as they are, to complete the chain of usefulness of the Society as a whole. Having the Association, we young people

have an opportunity for working to a much better advantage than heretofore, and let it be our aim to do our part in spreading the principles of a Society which, for the past two hundred years, has stood for truth and right. Remembering that the individuals make up the Society let us bring to it our best, and we shall get the best from it. And when we think it is not as useful or as broad as it should be, remember that it may be partly because of lack of faithfulness on our part, and we never aid in its usefulness by standing off and criticising it, any more than we can make the world better by shutting ourselves up in a hermit's cell.

If we believe that the principles for which the Society stands are right we are not fulfilling our duty, unless we put our shoulders to the wheel to do our part in keeping that Society the power for good it ever has been since the time of Fox and Penn.

A PAPER.

A Paper read at a W. C. T. U. Parlor Meeting, at Millville, Pa.

"If any little word of mine
May make a life the brighter;

If any little song of mine
May make the heart the lighter,
God help me speak the little word,
And take my bit of singing
And drop it in some lonely vale,
To set the echoes ringing.

"If any little love of mine
May make a life the sweeter;

If any little care of mine
May make a friend's the fleetier;
If any lift of mine may ease
The burden of another,
God give me love, and care, and strength
To help my toiling brother."

While wondering what I would prepare for this evening, the above lines met my eyes, and I thought how few of us live everyday, and every hour in the day, with the thought they contain in view.

We are prone to be selfish. We plead excuses when another needs the aid which we could give if we would. We are glad to see others happy if we