E. M., Wyoming, Ont., writes:-"Some kind friend has sent me a sample copy of the Young Friends' REVIEW. One thing I must say, and that is this, there is more spiritual food in this little journal for my hungry soul than I can get from any hireling ministers that I have heard in my two years' stay in Wyoming. I hope your efforts will be crowned with success." This man was never a member with Friends', but he moved from a Friends' neighborhood. He sent his subscription for 1894. There are a few points at which we have made very large gains this year. In a former issue we mentioned more than average success at Garrison, Neb., and at South Farmington, N. Y. We can further announce now good work at Holder, Ill., and Chicago,—the sender of the club in Chicago doubling his former' liberal list-and especially at Pendleton, Ind., from which point we received this year a club of 36, where last year we had no subscribers. Thus the work goes on.

## OUR MEETINGS.

We gather in our Meetings for worship, members of one family in the presence of our Divine Father; His spiritual children hungering for that heavenly bread which alone can nourish spiritual life, and which he supplies in abundance to all those who humbly seek it. Often we receive it direct from the Father's hand, and again He intrusts it to a faithful servant to hand forth to His children.

The question presents itself. Why is it necessary to have the spoken word in our meetings? And to me the answer is this:—The Father speaks to His children in a still small voice which can be heard only with our heart's door open, but often in our waywardness we allow the door to become closed to his gentle admonitions, and then the louder, more forcible outward voice is necessary to arouse us from our spiritual lethargy

How readily we learn to know the step or voice of a loved one, so we may learn to know the voice of our Heavenly Father if we love to hear it, and obey it when heard.

Then let us not depend too much on hearing the spoken word, but fit our hearts to receive spiritual refreshment direct from the Fountain Head, pure and nourishing; just as the purest, most refreshing draught may be had direct from the spring at the head of the stream, if we seek it there.— M. V.

## CHICAGO.

'The fourth regular Friends' Social, held and inst., was one of great interest. After a reading by Mary Cadwallader, entitled "The Life Boat," we listened to reminiscences of Early Chicago. Addison Ballard in his humorous style gave an account of the marvellous growth of Chicago as a commercial metropolis; Prof. George D. Broomell described quite fully the public school system; Francis L. Roberts, who was business manager of the Unity while published by Robert Collyer, gave a history of the social life in 1855; Rebecca J. Mason gave a reading entitled "Hiawatha." The Socials have been well attended, and an increased interest is noted.

In the North-West Territories dogs are used in sledding during the winter. There are six or eight used on rude sleds, and they are never fed until they are safely harnessed, so that the passengers and the bundles have all to be on board at feeding time, for when the dogs get their fish off they go at great speed. They are fed but once a day, and then only on four pounds of frozen They often travel ninety miles a day, and seldom have to be urged, being very wise creatures, who understand that the quicker they are in getting over with the journey the sooner they will come to the place to lie down and be happy in.