

and strength from its fellows, as well as directly from the Divine source.

The work of the First-day School is to happily combine the best from every source and so present it, that the theory of Divine relations may so coalesce with practical material relations, as to stimulate and secure lives that to the core shall be an honor to the church they represent and to the universal church made up of the good of every nation, kindred, tongue, and people.

The sessions of our Association have had the inspiring presence of a number who attended the recent Richmond Conferences, who testified to the valuable opportunity there afforded. We thankfully recognize the increasing strength of our organizations devoted to the spiritual training of our youth.

It is our earnest hope that you, with ourselves may be so inspired and sustained that our labors in our First-day Schools may be abundantly fruitful, gathering those coming within their influence to useful membership with us, and to a largeness of living that testifies to the indwelling Christ-spirit which lifts from the sordid to the Gospel standard.

Signed on behalf of the aforesaid meeting held at Mt. Pleasant, O., eighth month, 29 and 30, 1898.

ESTHER J. FOX,
MARIETTA HARTLEY, } Clerks.