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We insert in this issue two articles on the subject proposed for special attention for a few weeks, viz.: "How shall we best retain the younger members in our Society?" They present two phases of the many that the subject is capable of showing,—two phases of many we hope to present to our readers before the subject passes from us. It is a theme in which all true Friends, we think, must be interested, and we believe advantages would come to the Society if it would seek out and employ the privileges that, in the divine arrangement of things, exist in potential forms around us. Some may say if we indi-

vidually would do the duty towards society that is revealed to each one of us there would be no need of any public display of the matter. True; if this were done we might rest contented. But so long as there is a need of public urging and exhortation to induce people to perform their private duties to the Society, as well as to God and their fellow-man, we and the REVIEW will be unceasing in our endeavor to help those individuals to discover their own especial work, and to urge upon them the necessity of performing it. We agree with Jonathan C. Pierce in an article to be found elsewhere in this paper, and think that he has pointed out at least one work—one important work that is expected of our Society to perform, viz.: the spiritualization of religion.

The holidays seem to have had a baneful influence on our last issue. It was a week late in appearing. This was owing to the mail not running between Coldstream and London, a very unusual thing, a thing that will not occur from the same cause, we think, when we get prohibition. Some of the papers, we find, are incomplete, i. e.: one-half is duplicated, and the other omitted. Two halves in this instance, do not make a whole. Any who have received such please notify us and we will forward a complete copy.

From a private letter:

"Rochester meeting being very small and wishing to do something to increase its attendance and interest, has adopted the plan of holding an after-meeting conference similar to those existing in Philadelphia. The order of exercises are an essay or selection to be read on opening by the chairman, fol-