

Then farewell, my loved brother and sister,
Whose years have exceeded the span
Contemplated by the Psalmist's reckoning
As allotted for the lifetime of man.

And may the blessing of peace attend you
Through the remaining portion of life,
Adding faith to virtue and knowledge,
Overcoming confusion and strife.

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"After a day of cloud and wind and rain
Sometimes the sun breaks out again,
And, touching all the darksome woods with
light,
Smiles on the fields, until they laugh and sing,
Then like a ruby from the horizon's ring,
Drops down into the night."

This symbolizes life; those darksome days
Descend on all; and then a blaze
Of light casts trouble into shade.
The years slip by; the fires burn bright;
The house is full of life and light,
It is the Golden Wedding day,
The children come from far away.

The guests come thronging round to greet
The bride and groom of fifty years, 'tis meet
To celebrate with feast and rhyme
This happy Golden Wedding time.
While we partake of bounteous food prepared,
With thankful hearts that we are spared,
To meet with friends around this board,
And for the loving memories stored,
Of those who've laid life's burdens down,
And now are wearing the immortal crown.

Those precious memories, we cherish still,
And while life lasts we ever will:
Believing when life's journey's past
We all shall meet up there at last.

May we so live that life shall hold
The better part—the crown of gold;
And, passing, leave to those who fill our place
The record of a well-run race.

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TEACHING FRIENDS' PRINCIPLES IN FIRST-DAY SCHOOL

To the Editors of the YOUNG FRIENDS' REVIEW.

In your issue of 12th mo. 1st, I find an admirable paper on the necessity of teaching Friends' principles in the First-day school, concise and to the point. This necessity is due to the

fact that those principles are not taught in the Meetings. It is here as it is in England, where the biographer of John Bright said that one might attend Friends' meetings for a dozen years and not find out what they believed. But I would earnestly deprecate the attempt of any one to set forth in a creed or confession, or articles, the principles of Friends. Nor is it necessary. Moses and the prophets and Jesus have done that, and in the best possible shape. I would recommend that in all the First-day schools at all the sessions, the following passages of Scripture be read, they contain, I think, the whole body of the doctrine of Friends:

Isaiah v., 10-17, both included.

Micah v., 6-8, both included.

Exodus xx., 1-17, both included.

Matthew v., 17-19, both included.

Mark x., 17-24, both included.

Luke x., 25-28, both included.

Matthew xxii., 36-40, both included.

Isaiah and Micah declare the foundation principles on which all true religion rests; the other passages are more specific in laying down general rules of conduct. To these might be added other passages, but only such as report the discourses of Jesus. For school purposes, I think my list sufficient.

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The late Edwin Hatch, D.D., a minister in the Church of England, and Reader in Ecclesiastical History in the University of Oxford, who won a deserved reputation as a scholar and courageously honest historian, has thrown light upon some points of early church history and usages, that interest all who are seeking to sustain and extend a pure Christianity. In his first work, "The Organization of the Early Church," he described the change that took place from the very simple order of the apostolic congregations, with its